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THE OHIO CAMPAIGN OF 1897—A REVIEW OF THE SITUATION

As Seen by a Field Officer—The Protective Party That "Died Aborning"—The Power of Organization.

The Ohio Republican State Convention met in the city of Toledo on June 22, and 23. The Hon. Asa S. Bushnell was renominated for Governor, other State officers were nominated and the Hon. M. A. Hanna was endorsed as the candidate for United States Senator for both the short and long term.

A State central committee was selected which assembled in the city of Columbus on July 28, and chose an executive committee of seven members to conduct the campaign. The Hon. Geo. K. Nash was elected chairman and the writer was unanimously elected as a member of the said executive committee.

A vigorous campaign was inaugurated which resulted in the election of Gov. Bushnell by 25,000 plurality and a Legislature, which returned the Hon. M. A. Hanna to the U. S. Senate to succeed himself for both the short and long terms. Protection and sound money won another victory and the administration of President McKinley was endorsed. Such, in brief, was the Ohio campaign of 1897.

But to the readers of the Freeman, the part played by the colored voters, without whose unanimous support such a result could not have been accomplished, will no doubt be of more interest.

On July 29, I was officially informed of my election as a member of the State executive committee and notified to attend its first meeting to be held on August 2, at Columbus. I attended the meeting, determined to be a quiet listener. The chairman briefly stated the object of the meeting, and each member of the committee in turn was requested to give his views upon the conduct of the campaign.

You can readily imagine my embarrassment when called upon to give my idea of the campaign so far as it related to the colored people of our State. I recited it briefly, the plan was accepted and the entire work thereafter was carried forward under my directions.

Realizing the enormity of the task and the many difficulties to be met with and overcome, work was immediately begun.

The conditions that obtained were as follows:

First—There was an immense sentiment against Gov. Bushnell by reason of the unfortunate affair at Urbana.

Second—The colored voters of Hamilton county were up in arms and righteously so, by reason of the discrimination against the colored children in the public schools in Cincinnatti, as evidenced by the fact that at the spring eleciton of '97 more than 2,000 colored Repubblicans voted the straight Democratic ticket, thereby defeating the entire Republican ticket in Hamilton county.

Third—There was great dissatisfactional non-recognition.

Fourth—The entire colored press, with one exception, was arrayed against Gov. Bushnell.

You can easily pereeive that the outlook among the colored voters was anything but encouraging.

After a consultation with Judge Nash a meeting was called of representative colored men from all sections of the State, to meet in Columbus on August 16, for ...e purpose of ascertaining from each the sentiment in their respective localities and the remedy to be best applied where adverse conditions existed.

The Indianapolis Freeman, in speaking of this conference says:—

"On Monday August 16, there gathered together at Columbus, the Capitol, from the four quarters of "the great commonwealth of Ohio, a number of the present and ex-legislators and other gentlemen of distinguished worth; to devise ways and means for the further promotion of harmony in the party. Among them stood the venerable Poindexter, whose glossy silken white hair enveloped his ears, telling a tale of 75 winters. There was the rotund and jovial Clifford, the dignified and conversant Parham, the handsome Filmore, the refined Tyler, the brilliant Cottrell, Copeland, Lynch, Brown, Maxwell, Reynolds and many others. The conference was a complete success. Harmony prevailed throughout the session. After it was over every man was as mute as an oyster. These men came with a single purpose in view. A State to save. Personal ambition was sacrificed to the party's interest. Other States could profit by the example set by these real leaders of men, regardless of color. The personality of the conference was all that could be desired. Brilliancy and wit without effort was discernable. They could have safely guided the affairs of the whole State without the assistance of an additional individual, etc."

Our plans were outlined, and like a well drilled army when the battle came though bombarded on all sides and appealed to in every way known to the wiles of our political enemies, the 30,000 colored Republican voters stood shoulder to shoulder, all but a handful voting the straight Republican ticket.

Realizing the powerful influence exerted by the colored press, I endeavored to get the committee to use the colored American, the Indianapolis Freeman, and the Washington Bee. Fearing that this might generate State jealousy, it was decided to use no paper, white or colored, unless published in Ohio.

The colored press with one exception, (as I have before stated) being against Gov. Bushnell, it was decided to start a paper of our own with Mr. R. W. Tyler as the managing editor.

The Republican Vindicator was the result, and well it filled its mission, ably assisted by the Springfield Review and the Cincinnati Rostrum.

On September 1, 1600 circular letters were sent out to various colored men enlisting their support.

With such orators as Bruce, Lynch, Green, Parham, King, Thomas, Stewart, Cottrell, Ross Filmore and others on the stump, the campaign began in earnest.

In the counties where there were an appreciable number of colored voters various organizations were called into being that would best meet the existing conditions in their respective localities. In some auxiliary committees, in others, leagues, and in those where it was not deemed advisable to organize, individuals were dealt with. Wherever there was dissatisfaction to any extent I went in person.

From these various committees, leagues, and individuals, daily reports were received at our headquarters in Columbus where the Hon. Jere A. Brown, the veteran politician was constantly on guard. In connection with

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this branch of the work there was sent out more than three thousand letters and one hundred thousand documents. Having our forces well in hand I started on Sept. 22 for Lorain with the Hon. John P. Green.

The next day and the following Sept. 23 and 24 the colored voters' league of N. Y., Penn.,Ohio and West Virginia assembled at Youngstown.

Being on the alert for every move made by the enemy, a strong delegation, consisting of Hon. John P. Green, Jerry A. Brown, W. H. Clifford, Rev. W. T. Anderson, Chapan in the U. S. Army (on leave) and Mr. Frank Lee accompanied me to the convention. The result was that this independent convention was turned into an old time Republican love feast.

I now pass to an incident which will ever remain a reproach to the intelligence of the colored voters of our State. On Sept. 14 and 15 there met in Cincinnati a colored Democratic Convention which from point of numbers and the accomplishment of the aims of its promoters was a dismal failure.

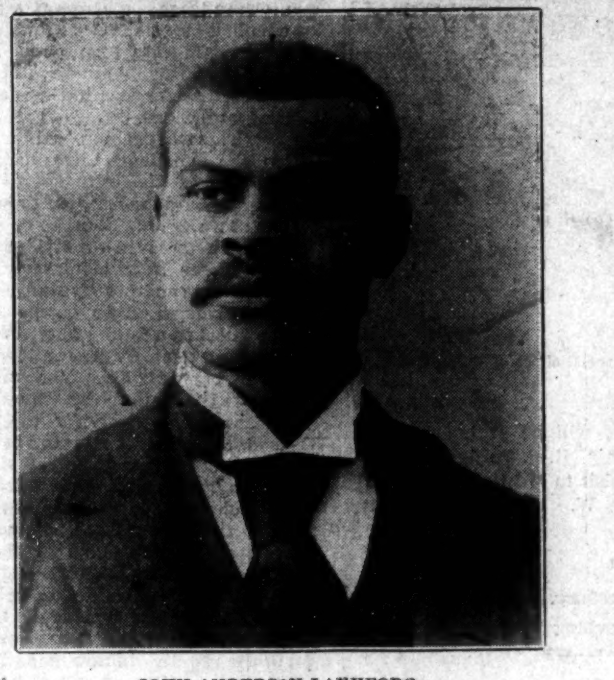
On Sept. 22, in the City of Columbus, the Great Negro Protective Party first saw the light of day and there and then "died abornin." Why! it exhausted itself in making its nominations.

nothing to say, but prefer to draw the
On the personel of its ticket I have
mantel of charity. The scheme which originated in the fertile brains of John R. McLean and Allen O. Myers was one of the most diabolical ever attempted to be perpetrated upon the colored people of Ohio. They repudiated it and rose up in their might and crushed not only it, but its tools and promoters, and have consigned them to an everlasting political oblivion. Why! in the City of Cincinnati where lives their candidate for Governor (and it is a matter of record.) that in the precinct and ward where he lives and voted the Negro Protective Ticket did not receive a single vote. Such was the fate of the Negro Protective Party in Ohio.

Now there is another matter to which I desire to call your attention—the discouragement of separate or colored Mass Meetings. It was an axiom to have no colored man address an audience alone. The colored speakers were sandwiched in indiscriminately, with senators, congressmen and judges. The idea being thus to bring the colored and the white voter closer together. To demonstrate that in party union there is strength, that we, as colored men, ask no special favors by reason of our being colored, that we are willing to meet our white brethren on terms of equality, in any walk, and demonstrate not only to them but to the world that we are men capable of holding our own no matter wwhere they place us.

Pardon my digression while I undertake to place a little credit where it is due. The Hon. George K. Nash, than whom a more capable and untireing State Chairman our party never had, is the "first and only Chairman that ever took representative colored men into the confidence of the committee and extended to them the same courteous treatment and consideration extended to all others. Always recognized as a friend of the race, in the late campaign he has established that fact beyond any doubt whatever, exact but just, delibberate and safe. Judge Nash has earned the highest esteem of members of our race."

For Gov. Bushnell I have nothing but kind words and high praises, knowing him as well as I do, knowing him to be the friend to the race that he is, knowing of his friendly feeling and many courtesies shown to our people on counselled with him, from time to time during the late campaign, I feel that I every occasion and having advised and am justified in saying that the colored



JOHN ANDERSON LANKFORD.

race never had and never will have a better friend than Gov. Bushnell, of Ohio.

My acquaintance with Hon. M. A. Hanna dates back to the fall of 1878. So much has been said and written, both pro and con, about this wonderful leader and organizer of men that there is but little left to be said. I know him to be honest and true. His word is his bond and he measures white men and black men alike,—by results. He is loyal to his friends, a natural born fighter and has the courage of his convictions. He never quits. With Hon. M. A. Hanna in the U. S. Senate the colored race ever has an advocate and champion.

There are many other great men in Ohio who are true and loyal to the race but I am only speaking of the central figures of the campaign of '97.

My object, in going into details, is to demonstrate what can and has been done through organization. If so much can be done in Ohio through organization why is it not possible to apply it to other states? Why cannot the colored voters support a national organization? We have had and still have great men and great leaders. The trouble with us is that we are all leaders and none are willing to follow; but until we produce an organizer and all follow him the Negro will remain as he is and never be taken into consideration for his worth.

Yours truly,
George A. Myers.

Items of Interest.

Brookhaven, Miss., Special:—Walter Alexander visited relatives here last week. * * Alex Evans has returned from New Orleans. He will spend several months here. * * Rev. P. H. Rembert is making needed improvements on his church. * * Rev. R. T. Simons, of Wesson attended the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday the 27. * * Rev. Adams, of the A. M. E. church is meeting with great success with his revival. * * Prof. Chas. Evans has bought and is erecting a commodious residence on Montacella St. * * Mrs. Emma Greenwood and children are visiting in the country with her parents.

ETHIOPIA SHALL STRETCH

Forth Her Hands—A Life That Should Inspire Other Youths to Greater Efforts, by Chas. Alexander.

That the Negro is capable of learning anything that is learnable, is not doubted by any who know him. The Negro of to-day is up to every new art, every strange device, every new invention, every important discovery in the scientific world, every new religious thought, every social and economic movement—every important public question is of interest to him, and he is working his way into every position of honor and worth to which the white man aspires.

We are not surprised to hear of successful Negro chemists, surgeons, dentists and physicians. They are too common. We are familiar with the names of Negro inventors, and wealthy Negro merchants can be counted by the thousands throughout this vast country. Very few avenues of industrial life in America are untrodden by the Negro. In every walk of commercial life he is found testing his powers. His paintings have called forth the admiration of the best critics, his music has caused the most profound interest and by the use of his inventions thousands of American citizens have been benefited. In literature he is accomplishing great things. But it is not my purpose to write on the progress of the race in a general way; I propose to tell the readers of the Freeman something about a young Negro man who is a credit to the race. I want this young man's remarkable career to inspire other young men to action.

This young man's name is John Anderson Lankford. Mr. Lankford will soon become known from one end of this country to the other. He is a great machinist. He was born in the village of Potosi, Missouri, on the 4th. of December, 1874. It will be seen that Mr. Lankford is but a very young man. In this beautiful little village, which is the county seat, very few colored people were to be found at the time young Lankford was born. His contact with the few boys and girls of his race in Potosi was of an inspiring character, and while his parents were poor, his father, Anderson Lankford, being sometimes a lead miner and sometimes a farmer, and his mother, Nancy Lankford, being a woman of splendid Christian character and by her diligence in all good work demanded the highest respect and esteem of the entire comunity, he was perfectly satisfied that no boy in his native village could out-do him in anything, if he would try hard.

The public school system of Potosi in the early days when young Lankford started to school was not of the improved order which characterize the school system all over the great State of Missouri to-day. So he being naturally apt very soon found himself at the top-most round of the local school ladder. He was but thirteen years of age when he started out into the cold, unsympathetic world to make his mark. He had the enormous sum of fifty-five cents in his possession. With this amount he left his humble home feeling confident that he would win his way. He landed in a small town, located on the banks of the Mississippi river; this little town is called Crystal City. While at Crystal City he found employment under a German mechanic who compensated him for his two years of continuous faithful service by supplying him with food, clothing and lodgings.

A boy who realizes that experience is worth something, one who feels that it requires time to properly fit him for the important duties of a useful life—time to fit him for a first-class position in the great realm of mechanic arts, will gladly give two years of his labor to gain the experiences which young Lankford gained while under the German mechanic. Young Lankford was glad to have the opportunity of working his way up to proficiency in this manner. While at Crystal City he learned how to care for and repair machinery and what to do in cases of emergency. This knowledge has been of much service to him.

While at Crystal City he was suddenly possessed by the laudable ambition to attend some college. This ambition haunted his dreams by night and engrossed his anxious thoughts by day. It was his aspiration to excel in whatever trade he should follow, and he felt the importance of thorough equipment. He expressed his desires to one of his friends who was employed as a porter on the trains running from Crystal City to Jefferson City, Missouri. This friend offered to be responsible for his transportation if he would go with him. And so we next find him at Jefferson City. He presented himself to the president of Lincoln Institute, stating that he was willing to do anything in order to pay his way through that institution.

Though he had no money and could not, with any assurance call upon his father for aid, he determined to do his

PROF. J. K KELLY, Columbia, Tenn.

level best under the circumstances. He approached President I. E. Page, one of the ablest Negroes in the United States, and made a statement that at once won for him the confidence of that gentleman. It is a well attested fact that if a boy has the elements of hope in his heart and has been baffled by inequalities, misfortunes and discouragements, such a boy can always find a landing place if he will but yield to the inspiration of that hope. A creditable degree of ambition characterized young Lankford's life. He had a strong desire to excel. He was never willing to be counted as simply second best, and so, under the impulse of this honorable enthusiasm, he started into the maze of college life, working his way as assistant janitor, agent for a clothing house and solicitor for a steam laundry. By his enterprise and industry in this direction, he won a reputation for honesty and for business tact. On entering Lincoln Institute he at once took rank beside the best students of his class and very soon outstripped many of them. His mind was discriminating and active, and he showed great talent and versatility at the very beginning of his college career, never cowering before the hardest lesson or most difficult problem. Industry, application and marked natural ability won for him an enviable name among the students and the highest esteem of the faculty. In six years he completed his full course in mechanical drawing, and as a machinist, in blacksmithing, carpentry, and engineering.

On leaving Lincoln Institute Mr. Lankford embarked into the blacksmithing business with Mr. P. Parker as his co-partner. His shop was in a splendid section of St. Louis, and while he was doing a very good business, he found that there was no opportunity to put to practical use the great fund of knowledge gained in college in other and more important directions. A short while after entering the black-

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A SCHOLARSHIP AT YALE

TO BE GIVEN TO AN AMBITIOUS YOUNG COLORED MAN—

Race Pride—Excitement in Political Circles—A Batch of Interesting Correspondence.

Hartford, Conn., Special:—Colored citizens of Hartford if you have race pride and really want to do something to increase the progress of the race, an opportunity is now given you in which you can reflect credit upon yourselves and your race in general. What we need is more and better educated men. An opportunity is now given to send a young colored man to Yale University free of charge. Do you want your race represented in the councils of intelligence and knowledge. Ar you willing to vote to send a young man from Hartford to Yale University? Your votes are required. If you vote you will succeed. This is the plan: Cut out the coupon printed in each issue of the Hartford Evening Post, write the name thereon of the young man to be sent and give the coupons to your nearest minister who will turn them over to the voting committee. The Freeman will publish the result each week, and from time to time give full information regarding the progress of the voters and other points desired to be known. * * The Freeman representative will furnish papers to any who may desire them. There are enough colored people in Hartford, if each colored person would cast one vote, to send our candidate notwithstanding the large number of white aspirants now in the field. Don't fail to talk with your minister on the subject and begin at once to send in your votes. * * Great excitement prevails in political circles. The colored voters have kept up a state of agitation for several weeks, contending for recognition due them as American citizens, and the result has been that a colored delegate in the person of Jno. S. Taylor, from th 3rd ward has been elected to the city convention which convened this week. This is an incident which has never before happened in the history of Hartford's existence. Let the good work of the agitation go on. * * Wm. H. Taylor is able to attend to business after several days' sickness. * * Miss Nora Braxton, an accomplished young lady of Hartford, Va., who has spent a pleasant season here, returned home this week, accompanied by J. H. Henry. * * The Uno Club gave a social party last week at the home of Miss Helen Wood, on Bellevue St. * * A surprise party was given last week at Mrs. Braxton's on Albany Ave., in honor of Mrs. Lucy Johnson. Music was furnished by the Union Quartette and Mr. Benjamin Peterson. ** Mr. Booker, the congenial barber at Shield Bro.'s barber shop was taken suddenly ill last Saturday. * * Miss Lula Jones visited Burnside last week. * * A flying messenger around the hotels found things in the usual order. One man at the Allen house resting on his oars. Geo. Brown unable to work on account of sickness. Quietness prevails at the U. S. Hotel and tips come in as usual. Tips at the Allen House are reported on the increase. * * Read the Freeman all the news, 5 cts. spot cash. Don't ask for trust.

Prof. J. K. Kelly.

The subject of this sketch was born in the city of New Bedford, Mass., Nov. 14, 1852, and is consequently 45 years of age. He was educated in the public schools of his native state, graduating in New Bedford, July 21, 1871. His father was the Rev. Edmund Kelley, a well known minister in the New England States. Leaving the North in 1872, Prof. Kelley made his way southward, and located in Mississippi, where he served as Clerk of the Circuit Court in Macon, Miss. He subsequently engaged in teaching. Coming to Tennessee in 1872, he was fortunate to find his "better half," and is now the father of several promising looking children. He has spent a quarter of a century in teaching, the greater part of the time being in Columbia, Tenn. Thousands have come under his influence, many of whom are now filling positions of honor and trust in different places throughout the United States.

Prof. Kelley is a model educator, and is certainly a worthy example for emulation.

Newsy Items.

Winchester, Tenn., Special:—The Odd Fellows held a very interesting meeting last Monday night. Rev. Levi Trimble, Jesse Horton, H. B. Stamps, Ace Phillips and Martin Stamps all of Decherd Banner lodge made addresses. * * A. H. Eldridge, D. S. Tarrant, L. D. Dardis spent Sunday in Belvidere. * * Miss Blanche Townsend has returned from Nashville. * * James Simmons has opened his store at Tullahoma.

TRAITS OF B. K. BRUCE.

A QUIET, CORDIAL AND UNASSUMING GENTLEMAN.

Ever Mindful of His Dignity—A Devoted Oppenent to Race Distinction—Appointments of Negroes From Merit.

Washington, March 18.—(W. E. Curtis's special to the Chicago Record.)—Blanche K. Bruce, who died in Washington, was the ablest and most eminent representative of the colored race since the death of Frederick Douglass. He was an unassuming, quiet, cordial gentleman, who never forgot his dignity and never intruded where his presence might be commented upon, but at the same time was approachable by, and sympathetic with, the humblest Negro in the land. There was no more popular man in the Senate when he was a member of that body, and he left it with the respect of every one of his colleagues, on both sides of the chamber. His views upon civil rights and the ambitions of his race do not conform with those usually expressed by the leaders, but he did not offer them in public, for fear they would arouse resentment and impair his influence.

He did not believe in race distinction in any respect, and when they proposed the Negro building at the Atlanta exposition, at which to exhibit evidences of the prosperity and progress of the colored people of the South, he advised against it, and urged that similar exhibits would have a better effect if they were made in direct contrast with those of the whites.

For the same reasons, he never advocated the appointment of colored men to office as a recognition of race. He held that hey were entitled to appointments on account of their merits, and not the color of their skin, and although he did not publicly force these views upon his colored followers because of their unpopularity, he never failed to use his influence in that direction, and of late has several times advised the President not to appoint colored men to conspicuous positions in the South, because it aroused animosities which did them more harm than good. He always advised colored men against entering the learned professions, because such a career is limited and thought they could do better in mechanical industries and commercial affairs. He was a great believer in industrial education, manual training, and saw in that the redemption of his race.

Items of Interest.

Muncie, Ind., Special.—Rev. Gregory, of Portland, Ind., delivered two excellent sermons Sunday which were greatly appreciated. Sunday was "rally day" at the A. M. E. church and the church realized from collection $24. * * Mrs. Will Smith has to South Monroe-street. * * Arthur Shoecraft is visiting friends in Park county. * * Samuel Robbins, of Urbana, O., was in the city Sunday. He was accompanied by Joseph Roberts of the same city. * * Miss Grace Shoecraft and Miss Mayme are on the sick list. * * Mrs. Dempsey, of Kokomo, Ind., who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Carter, returned home Friday last. * * The Eagle band will give a concert April 4. * * The A. M. church gave a musicale Monday evening. * * The Eastern Star society gave a social at the home of Mrs. Strawthers Tuesday evening, March 22. * * Miss Nettie Pierson was agreeably surprised by a number of her young friends last Thursday, March 17, in honor of her birthday. She received many handsome presents. Ice cream, cake and fruit were served. Games and dancing were featurues of the evening. * * Miss Nora Morris is the guest of friends at Dayton, O. * * Mr. Frank Hampton is spending a few days in Greenfield. * * A grand reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Davis was tendered by the ladies of the Terpsichoreon club at the home of Mrs. A. Morris, Monday evening, March 13. Many valuable and useful presents were received by the bride and groom. About seventy-five guests were present. Ushers: Miss Nettie Pierson, Zelma Raymond, Pearl Davis, Mrs. Brayton presided over the punch bowl. Mr. L. White, J. Smith, Ole Dixon dispensed the refreshments. The house was beautifully decorated with smilax and roses. Dancing and cards were the features.

KALAMAZOO(MICH.)NEWS ITEMS.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.—Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Bradley and family, of Oshtuno, spent Sunday in the city the guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hill. * * Prof. Lewis anticipates giving an oratorical contest. There will be a prize of $5 given to the best speaker and there is, no doubt, but that the affair will be a grand and interesting one. * * The auditorium of the A. M. E. church will soon be finished. We are now holding meeting in the basement which is very comfortable. * * The protracted meetings at the Second Baptist church and the A. M. E. church are producing grand affect. Rev. F. O. Dickey, of Chicago, is here helping Rev. T. C. Johnson, and the Rev. T. A. Edwards and wife, of Marion, Ind., are here to assist Rev. J. J. Hill with his meetings. Mr. Edwards preached Saturday night and Sunday, assisted by his wife, who is a good speaker. These meetings may continue ten or fifteen days longer. * * Now is the time for the young men and women of Kalamazoo to get themselves a home. The new National park or better known as the old fair ground, is all laid off in lots, many of which have beautiful shade trees. These lots can be acquired at very low prices. * * The Frederick Douglass club met Tuesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Wheatley. Mr. H. Williams read an item concerning Paul Lawrence Dunbar's appointment as assistant librarian in the congressional library at Washington, D. C. The subject of the program was "Denmark." A talk on Denmark and its army and navy was given by Mr. C. O. Bailiff. The following papers were given: "The Danish people and Thomwaldenson, the Sculptor," Mrs. S. S. Wheatley; "Christian IX. King of Denmark," Miss Sarah Reeves; "The Government of Denmark," Mr. Evans; "The Religion of Denmark," Rev. T. C. Johnson. The subject next week will be "Sweeden."

EUFAULA ITEMS.

Eufaula, Ala., Special.—The Dunbar Literary club was temporarily organized on the 7th of Jan. 1898, and permanently organized on the 22d of February. We have had weekly meetings every Tuesday evening since temporarily organized. The organization is in a flourishing condition. J. M. Chisholm, president; Miss Patterson, vice-president; Miss A. M. Jackson, secretary; James Carruthers, assistant. The sensors and other officers only serve for an evening. The past meetings have been both pleasant and instructive Meeting last Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Alice M. Jackson. Dr. Pollard repeated the excellent paper read at a previous meeting, subject: "What Greece has done for the World." Our hostess served refreshments. The object of the club is to promote citizenship morally and intellectually. Much time is given to Negro newspapers. The

HON. JOHN C. DANCY.

Recently appointed Collector of Customs, for the District of Wilmington.

ing number on the program. We hope that our community will be able to appreciate the organization, though many foul and sarcastic comments have already been made.* * W. H. Gray passed through the city on the 12 th en route to Bainbridge, Ga. * * Marshall Johnson, of Montgomery is the guest of his brother, B. S. Johnson. * * Rev. W. C. Banton was called to Columbus, Ga., to attend the funeral of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Bain. * * The African prince, Rev. Checchechi, lectured here last week. * * Mrs. Anna Williams has been quite ill, but is improving at this writing. * * Orders left at Wells & Gary's barber shop for The Freeman will receive prompt attention. * * * * Mrs. Jane Wynn spent last Sunday at Gillian Baptist cuhrch. * * Mrs. Dave Lindsay is quite sick. * * Lizzie Hightower is in the cty visitng frends and relatives. * * Several colored citizens are building comfortable homes. * * Read The Freeman. The agent wants you to become a weekly reader of the best Negro journal published, 5 cents a copy, delivered at your door every Saturday evening. W. H. Wallace agent. * * Prince Drewery is on the sick list. * * * Rev. R. T. Pollard preached a splendid sermon Sunday night to a large congregation at the First church. The choir, under the leadership of Mr. Murphy and Miss M. I. Johnson, rendered excellent music. * * P. J. Johnson, of Fortgaines, Ga., was in the city last Saturday.

Interesting Notes.

New Albany, Ind., Special.—The twentieth Century Literary of Bethel church has started anew with the following officers: President, Mrs. G. A. Ratliffe; Vice-President, Bert Alexander; Secretary, Miss B. Leona Sterrett; Assistant Secretary, Miss Estella Starks; Corresponding Secretary, Maurice Blackburn; Chaplain, Miss Sallie Carter; Organist, Mrs. Harriet McPheeters; Treasurer, Miss M. Mucker; Assistant Organist, Mrs. J. Martin; Sergeant-at-Arms, Walter Keller; Executive Committee: Miss Tilla Mitcheon, Eugene Keller, Samuel Ratliffe. At the club's meeting last week the subject, 'Resolved in case of war between Spain and the United States, the Negro should assist Spain," was discussed fully. * * Miss Addie Russell is ill. * * Rev. A. L. Murray, of Indianapolis, was in the city last week. * * Mrs. G. A. Ratliffe and son are preparing a chorus of thirty-five or forty voices to render the cantata "David, the Shepherd Boy." Rehearsals have begun and are held twice a week. This affair is looked forward to be the greatest musical event of the season. * * Ed. Laforce, formerly with the Diamond Quartette and a resident of this city, spent last Sunday with us. * * Messers. Ed. Hanes, John McPheeters, Walter Keller, Richard Cooper, Misses Nannie Cannon and Tillie Mitchner are prominent characters in the cantata, "Belshazzer's Feast," which is to be rendered by Quinn Chapel A. M. E. choir of Louisville, Ky. The Determined Workers gave a social at Mrs. H. McPhetters Monday evening. * * Miss Blanche Richman is expected home next week. * * * * Rev. L. W. Ratcliffe occupied the pulpit at Young's Chapel, Louisville, Ky., last Tuesday and the pulpit of Bethel A. M. E. church, Jeffersonville, Sunday afternoon. * * Mrs. Hannah Davis, the mother of Mrs. Carter, of West Main-st., died Saturday and was buried from the residence Monday morning. Rev. L. W. Ratliffe officiat-

Wartrace, Tenn., Special.—Rev. Hogan preached an eloquent sermon at the Baptist church Sunday night. * * Messrs. Charles Davis and Aaron Holder, from Shelbyville, were here Sunday. * * Mrs. John Webster's hand is still very sore. * * Presiding Elder Hill passed through last week. * * Miss Mary Osborn entertained Mrs. M. J. McClelland last Saturday morning. * * Little Ed. Jones is up again. * * Miss Leola Jones, of Knoxville College, will be at home the last of May. * * R. P. Purdy has been planning a visit to McMinnville. * * Miss Maggie W. Stubbs will be at home soon.

Newsy Items.

Petersburg, Ill., Special.—There will be preaching at the Second Baptist church by Rev. William Bates at 11 a. m. and 7:30; Sunday-school 2:30. Rev. G. A. Turner, our ex-pastor, made the church a visit and preached Wednesday night, which was highly appreciated. * * The siters of the Second Baptist church of this place have organized a sewing circle, with which they are making great progress. * * The young members of the church have organized a choir. * * Mr. C. Gaines and sister, Mrs. Lyle, left for Taylor county, Ky., to the bedside of their mother, Mrs. Mary Gaines. * * Mrs. Mary Penick and four children have been on the sick list with measles. * * Shively's family are on the sick list with measles. * * Members of George Vaughn's family are sick. * * The sick members of Dock Motley's family are convalescent. * * William Reed, who went to the bedside of his father in Virginia, has returned. * * Mrs. Samuel, of Bloomington, Ill., has been visiting her nephew, Thomas Tates. He returned with his aunt. * * You can get The Freeman by calling on Frank Penick.

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He Told the Story to the Gallia's Shipwrecked Passengers—In the Matter of Nerve He Went the Amateur Photographer One Better.

It was a cozy room, with antique hangings and furniture and walls hung with handsome works of art which could be only indistinctly seen by the light of the flickering fire on the hearth. The little party agreed with the beautiful hostess that the room was just dark enough for a ghost story. "I don't know a ghost story," said one of the men, "but the dramatic rescue of the Veendam's passengers by the St. Louis reminds me of my experience on board the old Gallia when she was caught in a hurricane in midwinter about 700 miles from Queenstown. The waves broke in our decks and flooded the cabins, and nobody thought for a little while that any one on board the vessel would ever see land again. There was no panic, no shouting, no weeping, and it seemed that all were perfectly prepared to go, though they looked far from happy floundering about in the water dressed in such garments as they could grasp when they were aroused from their sleep by the crash which sent tons of water into the ship. It was about 7 o'clock in the morning. The stewards had begun to set the table for breakfast, and, as I recall the picture, I can see men and women, most of them with heavy wraps over their night-dresses, standing on the table and dancing a forced minuet between the guard rails and the dishes.

"At one end of the cabin, while others were silently praying, stood a young fellow with nothing on but a suit of blue and white pyjamas, holding a snap camera in front of him. 'If you folks'll hold still a minute,' he said, 'we'll have a picture of this if we ever get out of it.' And for a moment people forgot the terrible situation, and I have always believed that one of the women adjusted her water soaked gown so that she might look well in the picture taken under the shadow of the destroying angel.

"Well, we got through it all right, although we came to Liverpool in a sadly battered condition, and when they hoisted the trunks from the hold the water ran out of them as though each piece was a sieve. We had service on board the ship the Sunday following our disaster, and, although two days had passed since we thought we were gone, we seemed only then to appreciate fully what had happened. Men and women who had shown no sign of fear now moped in corners with trembling lips, unable to speak because of the lump in their throats, and the service of song was a flat failure, because no one could sing any more than the young woman at the organ could get a note out of that water soaked, dripping piece of furniture.

"We reached Liverpool too late at night to leave the ship, and the men, who had become better acquainted than they would have been on a less tempestuous voyage, gathered in the saloon and for the hundredth time exchanged congratulations.

"'This was nothing,' said our purser, 'to the experience I once had, and not so long ago. To go down with all hands must be hard enough, but to be the only one of a whole shipful to go and to see all the rest saved—that's pretty hard. That came near being my case, and I don't want another similar experience.

"'I was an officer on the Ohio when she knocked a hole in her bottom, and I helped transfer the passengers and save what we could. When all had been sent to the ship which came to our relief, we made ready for the last boatload, of which I was to be one. We had a lot of money and valuables in the ship's safe, and I went below, took a tablecloth from the cabin table, and into this dumped the contents of the various compartments of the safe. I made a bag of it, carried it on deck, and when I came to where the boat should have been I found that it had gone, and I, with the treasure, was left in the rapidly sinking ship. I can think of any number of situations which I would have preferred to mine just then. The wind being against me, I could not make myself heard. I put up signals, and no one would ever guess what I did then. I wanted to keep my wits about me and block all chances for nervousness, so I did what requires a man's full attention—began to shave, and I doubt whether I ever did a cleaner or a better job.

"'By the time I had finished my companions must have missed me, for I could see them returning, and when they came alongside there were not many inches to step down from the sinking big boat to the little thing that took us away. I tell you this story to show how necessary it is to have nerve on board ship.'"

"And did he tell it for a true story?" asked the hostess.

"He swore to every detail."

"Then he did have nerve."—New York Tribune.

The Dear Child.

Little Tommie—Sister Lillian likes to have you come here.

Mr. Simperling—Aw, indeed! How do you know that?

Little Tommie—Well, people always like what makes them glad, don't they?

Mr. Simperling—Generally. But how do you know I make her glad?

Little Tommie—I heard her tellin one of the other girls today that she just had to laugh every time she looked at you.—Cleveland Leader.

South.

"Have you ever traveled in the south?" asked the New Orleans man of the chap from Bangor, Me.

"Oh, yes, indeed," said the Maine man. "I have been to Boston and New York."—Harper's Bazar.

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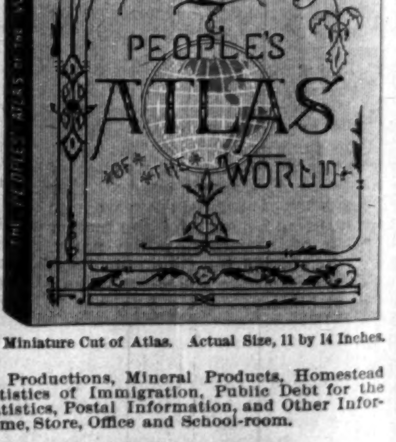

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SPORTING NOTES.

Jim Beale, a local boxer, is well thought of by the "wise" ones and it is likely that something will happen shortly.

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Watts, the pride of Louisville sports, was robbed of a victory last week over Australian "Billy" Murphy, but an unfair decision of a prejudiced referee.

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Major Taylor, the colored bicycle rider, intends to train at Asbury Park. Taylor's first outdoor race will probably be at Manhattan Beach on May 21, when he may meet Tom Lintom.

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Joe Elms, the bantam-weight boxer, is sore on his luck in England, and is coming home. He has boxed twice in the old country, losing to Johnny Simpson and Joe Barrett each in 12 rounds.

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Harry Wilson, the well-known Philadelphia 130-pound boxer, would like to meet Young Mahoney at 128 to 133 pounds, before any recognized club for a purse or portion of the receipts, winner take all.

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Willis Canady, whose "go" with "Kid" McCoy's sparring partner, "Doc" Payne recently, was a disappointment to his many friends, clearly demonstrating the fact that he was not the "dead one" as thought by several local sports, he knocked out Jim Levett, of Chicago, in two rounds. Canady escaped without a scratch, and delights in telling the "gang" how he hooked his man with his left.

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George Dixon had the misfortune a few days ago to badly wrench his ankle while training for his contest with Tommy White, which was to be decided at the Empire Athletic Club, of Syracuse. on Monday night, and consequently the bout will have to be postponed. This will be the first time since Dixon has been in the fighting business, which is over eleven years, that the colored wonder has been responsible for a contest being postponed. The ankle is badly swollen, and a surgeon who examined it says that it will be ten days before Dixon will be able to use it again. Tom O'Rourke, manager for Dixon, has wired the club, asking for a postponement of the contest until Dixon's ankle gets better.

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Joe Butler and Bob Armstrong, the two big colored pugilists, had a falling out at Butler's home recently and there was a battle royal not down on any programme. Armstrong was stopping with Butler during his stay in Philadelphia, and at the supper table they got to talking over the coming bout between Maher, and Butler cautioned him not to made the assertion that he could whip aMher, and Butler cautioned him not to shout that too loud, else Maher might hear him. That started an argument and soon the two big men were at it with bare fists. Butler knocked Armstrong down, and the latter made a break for a coal box just outside the door, where a shovel is kept. Butler was there as quick as he, but both were disappointed since the shovel was missing. Armstrong tore down a cigar sign and let go at Butler's head knocking him down, and then took to his heels up the street.

A WORD WITH HUSBANDS.

Give Your Wife a Little Praise Once In Awhile and See How It Works.

"If husbands only knew, or, if knowing, only cared, how very much their words and manners affect the temperature of the home world, they would never by word or deed leave it enshrouded in gloom," argues Mrs. A. M. Marriott in an article entitled "Praise Your Wife" in Woman's Home Companion. "To most wives the husband is the sun around which every thought revolves. There is scarcely an instant in which his presence is not felt as she goes about her work or even when at rest. If she is preparing the meals, the way John likes this or that or some remark he has made about some article of food is recalled to mind. If she looks about her, she sees his hats and coats hanging on the hooks, and the hats invariably wear the same expression John's face wore when he left in the morning—a jolly, good humored look if he went away pleasant; if angry, a gruff, defiant, attend to your own business air takes the place of the so lately gentle pliable shapes in felt and fairly bristle with wrath over some trifle, but still enough to obscure the sun in the little world for many a weary day, perchance, ere it is seemingly forgotten.

"There is no true woman but will repay her husband over and over again for kind, thoughtful treatment. He is ready to call her childish, and she may seem so to him; but one thing is sure—a woman never forgets.

"All little deeds of love or thoughtfulness sown by his hand yield a certain and abundant harvest. She may love her home better than any other spot on earth, yet she sometimes gets so weary of the dai'y routine of never ending duties that fall to her lot that she cannot help an occasional feeling of envy for those who have more time for recreation, for going abroad, for all the little things dear to the heart of every woman, but which the stern hand of duty most effectually debars her from enjoying. Still, for all that, she would not for the whole world exchange places, even if she could, with any other woman, leaving home and John—dear old John—as the price of her freedom from care.

"If your wife has been a faithful and true wife to you, tell her so. Do not think it lowers your manliness any to let her know that she still has a place in your affections. She has toiled early and late for you and your children, through sickness and health, and self denial has grown to be her motto. It takes but little from her loved ones to make her happy, so do not begrudge her a word of praise now and then as her just reward, and of far more value to her starving heart than gold. There are some things which money can never buy, and wounds which it cannot heal, but love levels all obstacles, overcomes all difficulties and immeasurably sweetens life."

The Basis of Credit.

A man's past record, with but few exceptions, should determine the question of his eligibility for credit in the future. If he has been slow pay in the past, he will probably be slow pay in his next purchases. If he has been prompt and satisfactory, he will likely be the same again. As an instance I might mention a case which recently came under my notice. A trader who had gradually got to be slow and unsatisfactory was compelled to assign. His failure was not due to any misfortune, such as fire or flood, but seemed the natural consequence of his incompetence and lack of management. A wholesale house which had been supplying him lost heavily, but compromised, and as he continued they still sold him, but on 30 days' time. For awhile he promptly attended to his payments, but after a time he got slower and slower, and as he was a liberal buyer and his purchases were allowed to accumulate he soon owed a bill far larger than his means would warrant. As this dragged along for some years a compromise was granted upon this indebtedness also. Still he clung to his old creditor and again ordered goods, promising to send the money within 30 days. But his past record was too much even for so lenient a creditor. He was told plainly that he would get no more goods on credit and that if he ordered anything cash must accompany the order in every case. Now, a man of this stamp is a positive detriment to a man who pays his bills. After thus being refused credit by the old house he will try and get it elsewhere and no doubt will succeed. But if his record is known it should be a final answer to the question of granting him credit.—Hardware.

A Great Polyglot.

Solomon Cæsar Malan habitually conversed with his children in Latin, but on his deathbed, when Solomon, his son, began to recite a psalm in the familiar Vulgate of his youth, the dying man, scholar to the last, muttered, "Non ita, non ita! Hebraice;" so the son repeated it in Hebrew.

He could, for that matter, just as well have said it in Coptic or Chinese, for to him all tongues came naturally. At 18 he could write in 13 languages. oriental and European, and among his published works we find translations from the Arabic, Persian, Syriac, Ethiopic, Hebrew, Coptic, Armenian, Georgian, Mongol, Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Greek, Russian, Welsh and Gothic. He is said to have learned to speak Armenian fluently in a fortnight, and he preached in Georgian to a Georgian congregation in the cathedral of Kutais. —Saturday Review.

An Undesirable Dog.

"What do you think of the dog?" asked the owner.

The dog fancier merely glanced at him and then shook his head.

"He might do pretty well in the country somewhere or pretty far out in the suburbs," he said, "but he isn't homely enough to ever bring much of a price among the dog owners of the fashionable world."—Chicago Post.

No Reason to Hurry.

A pleasant looking, stylishly dressed old lady was boarding a Sixth avenue car, and the "smart Alex" conductor shouted in her ear:

"Hurry up there! Step lively! Be quick!"

He looked as if he were on the point of pushing her bodily inside the car, when, to his great surprise, she stopped short, and, looking him full in the face, said: "Young man, it is not worth while to be in such a hurry. You'll get to hell soon enough."—New York Sun.

The Precedent.

She—It seems to me that the earliest records prove that woman has always been ahead of man.

He—How so?

She—Why, one of the first things that Adam said to Eve was, "After you."—Brooklyn Life.

An eastern statistician estimates that 100,000 people own half of this country's wealth, and that 4 per cent of the people possess 75 per cent of the entire property of the country.

It is an interesting fact that the cent was first proposed by Robert Morris and named by Thomas Jefferson.

In Germany "von" implies nobility, and all persons who belong to the nobility prefix "von" to their names without any exception. Persons who do not belong to the nobility cannot have the right to put "von" before their names. A man who is knighted for some reason, however, has the same right to put "von" before his family name as a person of ancient nobility. For instance, when Alexander Humboldt was knighted he became Alexander von Humboldt. All his descendants, male and female, take the prefix.—Philadelphia Press.

Switzerland enjoys the unenviable distinction of having a larger percentage of lunatics than any other country. In the canton of Zurich there are 3,261 in a population of 339,000.

In 1564 a pair of shoes made in England cost tenpence.

EARLY FRENCH EXPLORERS.

The Work of Cartier, Champlain and Others In the Great Lakes.

W. S. Harwood writes in St. Nicholas of "The Great Lakes." Mr. Harwood says:

Jacques Cartier, who shipped from St. Malo in 1534, explored the coast of Newfoundland and made the circuit of the gulf of St. Lawrence, and he did much else, too, for New France in opening up negotiations with the many tribes of Indians who thronged thousands strong and friendly from all the regions in and about Quebec and Montreal and Ottawa and Kingston. Another mariner of St. Malo—Francis Greve—began the colonization of the land. About 1570, in France, Samuel de Champlain was born, and when he reached the age of early manhood he, too, joined in the new world exploration in the region above the great lakes. The kings of France were much interested in the new land and did all in their power not only to explore the region, but to colonize and develop it. Champlain, in 1615, made an expedition up the Ottawa river and penetrated as far as into Georgian bay, thus touching on the waters of Lake Huron.

In 1618 Etienne Brule, an old interpreter, came into Champlain's camp with the news of the discovery of Lake Superior. Lake Erie, with Ontario, was probably discovered some time earlier than this. Nicollet, in 1634, started in a canoe from the head of Georgian bay, skirted the eastern and northern shores of Huron and at last found himself at Sault Ste. Marie, or the falls of St. Mary, now shortened to "Soo"—the first white man, it is believed, to reach this key to the noble lake beyond. He went as far as Green bay, on Lake Michigan, and so the various lakes at last came into the actual knowledge of the explorers and were no longer myths.

But as these French explorers continued to develop new and hitherto undreamed of possibilities of empire the English began to take deep interest in the region—an interest little less marked than that they were then taking in their schemes of colonization in Virginia and Massachusetts. Again and again through the years that follow the threads cross and recross, not weaving a beautiful garment of harmony, but tangling in a wretched snarl, a patchwork of disputes between the nations.

Entanglement followed entanglement, wars harassed the land, until at last the English were masters of the northern lake region for all time—unless some day we shall see the stars and stripes floating from the heights of Quebec.

IN NEW YORK'S EARLY DAYS.

The Bowery Was the Resort of Wealth, Beauty and Fashion.

"A pleasant picture occurs to me of a summer progress of the family of Governor Stuyvesant to and from the meeting house, for divine worship in the fort near the Battery, New York," writes Mrs. Burton Harrison in The Ladies' Home Journal, describing "When Fashion Graced the Bowery." "In a brave coach, drawn by shining horses, is ensconced the governor himself, whose long, laced coat half hides his wooden leg banded with silver. He wears a carefully curled peruke and holds his hat upon his knee, in order to court the cool sea breeze that fans his rugged visage. His lady, sitting in state beside him, is, in their staid and phlegmatic community, accounted a brilliant personage; her gowns came out from her native Paris, and her silken hood is worn over frizzled and powdered hair; her embroidered hose and high heeled shoes, her rings, bracelets and lockets, with the gorgeously bound book of devotions supended by a golden chain to her waistband, may be depended upon as models of the very latest modes. Mrs. Bayard, the widowed sister of the governor, occupies a seat in the coach facing them.

"After service in the bare colonial church—where the dominie's sermon, however eloquent, was always brought to an end by three raps from the clerk's stick at the moment when the sands of the hourglass had announced that the preacher's limit of time had been reached—the Stuyvesant party passes out between rows of respectful gazers."

Sala's Last Article.

In The Windsor Magazine Mrs. Sala relates an incident about the last magazine article ever written by the late George Augustus Sala. "As I re-entered his study that afternoon," she writes, "he gave me over the three slips of a closely written MS. on flimsy foreign note paper and said: 'Take them, dearest. I am so tired I don't think I shall ever write another magazine article. Put the sheets in your dispatch box and finish them for me. When I am dead, you will perhaps want bread, and then you can sell "Bedrooms on Wheels."' Sure enough, it was just as he so sadly prophesied, for often since cruel death came between us I have wanted for the common necessaries of life during many weeks and months of weariness and ill health."

A Bright Bird.

The cuckoo is as likely to steal its nest as to make it, but this fact does not take from the point of the following pun, quoted from Short Stories:

A young Englishman being asked at dinner whether he would have some bird's nest pudding, said, turning to his hostess, "Ah, yes, bird's nest pudding, and what kind of a bird may have made it?"

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BRUCE'S SUCCESSOR.

Upon the death of Register B. K. Bruce, on March 17, 1898, numerous telegrams and letters began to pourin upon Hon. J. C. Napier urging him to renew his fight for the Registership. He yielded to the pressure and left for Washington Monday night. Thursday he wired Mrs. Napier that the President had decided on the appointment of Capt. Judson W. Lyons, the Negro who was forced to withdraw his application for the Augusta, Ga., postoffice. Capt. Lyons has been appointed. We regret exceedingly to see Mr. Napier defeated. Mr. Napier would no doubt have landed but for the fact that Capt. Lyons had yielded to white prejudice in compliance with the President's expressed wish. So that it is not a matter of superior fitness or stronger claim or better backing. Lyons had to be rewarded for yielding to prejudice. Otherwise Mr. Napier would have been appointed.—The Nashville Citizen.

Napier, of Tennessee has many excellent qualities that would have made him acceptable as Register of the Treasury. It is regrettable that the government cannot provide for the great men of every State, who by the way, are as highly deserving of success as many others who do succeed. But in the nature of things this cannot be and the momentary friction caused by ill luck generally subsides. The appointment of Lyons seems quite a happy move. However the sentimentality of dubbing him leader is very sickly indeed. It is doubtful if Mr. Lyons desires to be so known, and if he did he is not sure the people so cares to know him. It is very clear that if Mr. Lyons can command a position of such eminence it is very likely that he has too much good sense to be coddled into trying to ornament his limbs with a useless ornament. The leadership idea is quite obsolete from a national standpoint, or else the shoes of Douglass would have long ago been filled. Mr. Booker T. Washington is the leader in a new educational idea and actually leads. Douglass led. Mr. Bruce at one time led, but he discovered that his occupation had long since gone. The worthy praise of Mr. Lyons is all right, but the acclamation of leader will put him in a position to expect adherents. If these be not forthcoming and submissive, his attitude would be extremely awkward.

A leader is not always supposed to be a place getter. The fact that Mr. Lyons succeeded Mr. Bruce does not mean the descent of Mr. Bruce's heraditaments, incorporeal or otherwise. If Mr. Lyons was not a leader last month, it is not quite plain how he becomes so this month.

All of this is uttered with no disrespect to Mr. Lyons, but as a quietus on the gush of the sentimentalists, who are simply playing for place and favor.

"And plucked the good man's gown to share his smiles."

Congressman White has called the attention of Congress to some glaring irregularities in regard to the colored soldiery of the country, that amounts quite to discrimination. On the part of most people the Congressman's speech was a revelation. The House was very considerate, receiving his words with marked attention and generously applauded his very effectual effort. It is probable that all obstructions in the way of colored soldiers serving in every phase of the soldier life, will be removed, and that the white soldier and the black soldier will serve alike.

THE CAKE WALK.

Editor Progress: As a representative of the colored race I desire to enter my protest against the "cake walk" which is now becoming a fad among some colored people, encouraged by the whites. I regard the whole matter as disgraceful and degrading. The colored people are incited to these exhibitions by those who have no care or thought of the consequences or of the impression created. The whites go to these exhibitions of buffoonery to laugh at and ridicule the monkefied contortions of the principal actors. Their gyrations, ridiculous gestures, and generally undignified conduct is for the edification and gratification of people who have tired of all other amusements, and so call in the "coons" to furnish sport for them. Now I leave it with any sober thinking, intelligent colored man or woman to decide in their own minds, if it is the proper thing to do? It is claimed that the race is endeavoring to elevate itself and place its people where it will be recognized on an intellectual equality with the intelligent classes of whites. Would the better class of whites disport themselves in this ridiculous manner in order to afford amusement for the Negroes?

I insist that the cake walk is beneath the dignity of the better class of "the race," and that it brings them into ridicule and contempt, as the language of the libel law puts it, and so should be frowned down by the better class of colored people.—The Republican Progress, Bloomington, Ind.

And thus it is left to the little town of Bloomington, Ind., to take a decided stand against the alluring, insinuating, all-suggestive "cake walks." The halt is not called any too soon. Just why, after the lapse of years, supposed to have been employed in cultivating the intellect, the physical man, and the morals such immoral tendencies obtain is certainly wrapped in mystery. What influences are at work that produce results so diametrically opposed to the advantage of the race as a whole? If "cake walks" are to become a characteristic feature of Negro life then the clamoring for elevation in the social scale should cease. "Cake walks and higher life are not compatible or synonymous by any means, and if the race is to be seduced, by these mazy gyrations that so readily bespeak an easy virtue, then the race will be set down according to the sign it wears. Those who are versed in the means the world employes for arriving at a conclusion, should take proper steps in vetoing further demonstrations of these ultra-reflective diversions, or the hurt will be incalculable.

When the whites who desire to be counted best engaged in promiscous "cake walks," it will be quite time enough for the colored people.

It may be all right for the stage, since it is its province to provoke mirth, but if it is to become infectious, engulfing all submerging all, then a halt becomes imperative. The pulpit, that supposed powerful auxiliary to morals, should be on the alert. A "cake walking" Christian may not be offensive per se or may not be corrupt individually, but the influence exerted is pernicious, and will certainly involve those who will become vicious within themselves. The race is yet held largely for the conduct of the individuals that compose it. It matters not about the inequity of the judgment, the result remains. It is not becoming that the many are to go into sackcloth and ashes for the misdoings of the few. Dollars and cents pitted against virtue and honor is not to be entertained. At least the advertisement of one's insobriety, weaknesses or immorality is the greatest offence against society as well as objectionable in the sight of the maker as an offense equal with other offences.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Freeman will be found a communication from Hon. Geo. A. Myers, of Cleveland, O., which is of much interest owing to the position of Mr. Myers in Ohio politics. With a few changes it was to have been delivered by him at a banquet which had been arranged for by the late B. K. Bruce.

The Indianapolis Freeman last week announced Hon. B. K. Bruce as being very sick. The Weekly Express gave a full account of his death. We lead, and that naturally forces all others to follow.—The Dallas Weekly Express.

The Freeman has always had a very good opinion of the Express, but perhaps not so good as the one it has of itself. By way of explanation, the Freeman is very much like time and the tide, it goes to press when the hour arrives.

From eminent authority it comes that the names of John R. Lynch, of Miss., Jas. T. Bradford, of Md., and John P. Green, of Ohio, were presented to the President from which to select a successor to Hon. B. K. Bruce. These names were put forward by Negroes of eminence who live in the North, but the opposition to Judson in his home for the postoffice seems to have made it impossible to land either one of the three distinguished gentlemen.

The President is right in averting war if possible and if at the same time it is consistent with national honor.

It gradually crops out that there are other Northern states that could stand more recognition.

AFRO AMERICAN—GERMAN AMERICAN

The question as to what name shall designate the Negro of this country has been resusciated. The contention seemingly results more or less in babel that really does not seem worthy of the motive power required in the production. But however the question is on so "odds bobs hammer and tongs," we feel to have a say on any question wherein the destiny of nations hangs in the balance, as it were.

We are not to be considered ex-cathedra on these hair-splitting propositions whether they be ethnological or otherwise. Howbeit we stand ready to dispute the proposition set forth by eminent journals of the African extraction that the very comprehensive title Afro-American is as ligitimately used or carries the same meaning as German-American or Irish-American. It is not held that such a title as Afro-American would not be fitting; for it is. But that sense of fitness does not arise from the thought conveyed by the term Afro-American, but from its constant association. That is to say; its derivative basis does not justify the unlimited use. It is meaningless, unless there are no such things as tribal distinctions or unrelated states in Africa, no matter whether they be Abyssinians, Nubians, Egyptians, Algerians, Madagascans, from Morocco, or from the home of the Boers or from equatorial Africa or what not. "Afro-American" is too sweeping to be admitted to lexicons, standard dictionaries, or encyclopedias in the accepted sense. An Egyptian residing in New York will not be designated as an Afro-American; and yet he truly is as much so as other Africans residing in America. German-American means something. It means that in the country of Europe there are many countries and that one of them by name is Germany. An individual hailing from Germany, making America his future home could with much show of reason be called a German-American in contradiction to the individuals from the many ports of Europe and who make up this country largely.

This very peculiar composition of the American people certainly call for some such distinctions as German-American, Irish-American, etc. Furthermore the use of the terms are founded in reason. There are times when the Negro must be designated by some appellation; but such appellations should originate in a straight logical manner and not twisted nor distorted for the mere sake euphonism. Sound is all right, but it is not always sense. Afrfo-American may be more pleasing than the very vigorous term Negro. If this is the why it should be accepted, it should be said so. And hence forward for the sake of euphony and mellifluousness but more out of regard for the detestation of the term Negro, be it agreed that we do use the term Afro-American. Persons who care to see the term established might use some such argument. The argument to make it legitimate will not hold.

Egyptian-American, Nubian-American, Madagascan-American or Sahara Desert-American will bear company with your German-American, no matter about the ponderosity. The fact that the Negroes' identity is lost, and that he came from nowhere particularly, and everywhere generally does not mean the usurpation of the whole Africa for his ancestral domain. This loss of identity is perhaps unfortunate or perhaps fortunate. At any rate there are regions of Africa which are pre-empted from this generallien for the establishment of ancestral lineage. Besides the Negroes have a good right to these proud titles, German-Americans, etc. One must take a long tramp before he descries an individual of color whose descent is not backed up by caucasian blood shamefully mixed or otherwise. The Negroes of of America are closely allied to the whites by consanguinary ties. This assertion is likely to be resented, and for what? For the naked truth set forth. A pure blooded African in America is at a premium. He is now a curiosity and may eventually prove a monstrosity. "Afro-American" therefore is not a term of the same value as German-American. Even should the German blood be crossed, the mind makes no allowances for it. Such is not the case with the term Afro-American which means a citizen from Africa now residing in America, but not hailing from Tripoli, Morocco, Abysinia, Egypt and divers ports of more or less dignity, all of which is much too long a definition to be remembered.

Henry Watterson, editor of the Louisville Courier Journal, takes a parting shot at the late Democratic legislature of Kentucky, for playing into the hands of the Silver Democrats.

It is unapproached in all the orgies of carpet-bagism, militarism, returning boardism, Brownlowism, reconstructionism, Lodgeism, in the State and national annals of this country. The maddest usurpations of State government in the South over the rights of the disfranchised whites, the most desperate efforts of the Republicans in Congress to build a party dynasty upon the suffrage of the newly emancipated blacks, the wildest riots of the fanatical freaks of Kansas and South Carolina, never approached the record of the Kentucky legislature in its plunge from democracy to despotism.

He says further that while the term of these members expire two years hence, yet they have gone out forever. Since it is the prerogative of a Kentucky governor to call the legislative session, it is hardly likely that Gov. Bradley will give them another chance to defeat the ends and aims of the people.

Mr. R. W. Thompson, of Washington, desires to say that his "resignation" has been accepted by the government and that he is no longer an attache of the Printing Department at Washington, D. C. He, however, will be found at the helm of the Colored American as its managing editor. Journalism is the forte of Mr. Thompson. It is not saying too much to say that he is one of the most brilliant paragraph writers living. Race lines have nothing to do with the case.

The Vindicator, of Columbus, O., has lost its brilliant editor, Ralph W. Tyler, sometimes known as "Larph," who has voluntarily severed his connection with that sheet. Mr. Tyler holds a very excellent position with the Columbus Dispatch, one of the foremost dailies of Ohio. His relationship to the Dispatch is of such nature as to forbid the formidable task of conducting a race paper at the same time. The retirement of so useful a member of the profession is to be regretted by the many friends he made in the journalistic arena, and those otherwise who felt the magic influence of his pen.

THE PRESIDENT'S POSITION.

The sober thinking classes are with the President in trying to wring peace out of the very muddled national affairs existing at this time. He recognizes that with all his precautions and foresight that he hardly will escape some condemnation, seize what horn of the dilemma he may. His waiting policy seems further to say that if the worst must come, it must be the result of extreme provocation. It is by no means certain by what means the Maine and its crew found a watery grave. Our committee on investigation feels reasonably sure that the result was from some external cause, while on the other hand the Spaniards feel equally sure that the disturbance was internal. Both committees produce abundance of "convincing" testimony which cares for their respective country's interests. The President cannot feel justified in going to war on the account of an accusation which is so vigorously denied and disavowed. Furthermore it may be that Spain is right so far as the Maine is concerned at least. The President owes it to humanity not to wage war unless he is absolute-not to wage war unless he is absolutely certain that there is a cause of war. Conservatism will likely revolt against the President in event dire calamity overmantles the country in compliance to popular demand, which growsout of sympathy for the oppressed Cubans. The populace is often fickle; what they set up today will be abased tomorrow. If war comes, let it come uninvited. We should have our quarrel just that we may be thricely armed.

The United States Supreme Court has recently handed down an opiion to the effect that a Chinaman born in this country is a citizen of the country. It seems strange that the case called the attention of the highest judicial body in the land. If the individual was not a citizen of the country, where would the classification fall? There may be an element of abstruseness in the contention in the matter that the average man fails o detect, but it does no quite appear how the decision could be otherwise. There are international rules, perhaps, pertaining to those born abroad when the parents were serving the country abroad, but it does not readily appear why births under other conditions do not fall into the category of citizenship, and most especially if the individual claims it. It is possible to see where and why a country might legislate against an objectionable class in order to insure better citizens. And even such a procedure is not abstractly right. It is simply a heroic remedy in self preservation. But to legislate away a birth-right because of a peculiar nationality in a country made up by just such processes is carrying the war to too great extremes.

All are content to allow the Baker incident to sleep until the war scare is over. It is no more than right, but it should not sleep forever.

The selection of Mr. Judson Lyons, of Georgia, to succeed the late B. K. Bruce meets general approval on the part of the press.

The Freeman takes great delight in adding the names of the following distinguished Alabamans to its rapidly growing subscription list: Hon. Joseph F. Johnson, Governor; Major J. F. Culver, State Commissioner of Agriculture and Hon. Geo. W. Ellis, State Treasurer. Governor Johnson gave the Freeman representative a very cordial reception, and spoke in the highest terms of the Freeman. He feels that not only the Negroes but the whites as well should take the Freeman. He feels that it is an enterprise worthy of general support.

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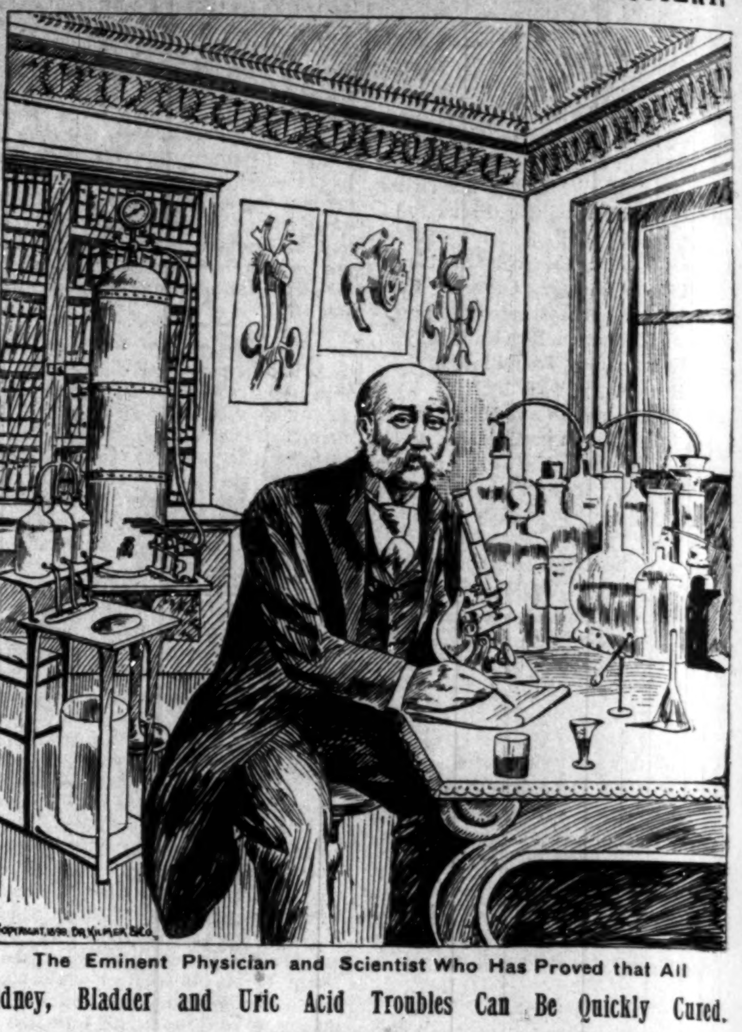

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A Budget of Newsy Jottings.

Leadville, Col., Special:—We are having fine weather at present. * * Mrs. Lizzie Hereford has removed to 220 E. Fifth street. * * Mrs. Mary Benton and Mrs. D. C. Woodson are convallescing. * * Rev. Smith, of Aspen is visiting in the city. * * Rev. A. J. Cason is on the sick list. * * The pupils of the A. M. E. Sunday-school gave a concert on the 24th. * * Mrs. Nellie Watson has returned to Leadville for permanent residence. * * Mrs Mary Milligan visited Denver on the 17th. * * Mr. J. N. Young is expected home shortly. * * Mrs. T. J. Ross is visiting in Denver, Col., from where she will go to Hutchinson, Kas. to visit her husband. * * The Ida B. Wells Republican club has taken a stand for free silver. * * Mr. and Mrs. Robert Payne have removed to Denver. * * Mrs. Chas. Stewart was in the city on the 12th in search of her husband, whom she soon located. * * Easter will be properly observed by the pupils of the A. M. E. Sunday-school. * * Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson is the guest of her son Charles, in Aspen. * * Mrs. Gus Robinson is visiting in Leavenworth. * * Mr. Henry Everitts is rusticating in Denver. * * Mr. Joe Rivers, Editor of Colored Statesman, of Denver, visited our city recently in the interest of his paper.

Gleanings.

Lake Providence, La., Special:—R. C. Lucas, a member of the firm of M. W. Newman & Co., operating the Desona store, died the 20th. ult. He was an upright young man, a faithful husband and a good citizen. * * Rev. Lawrence Estavan, pastor of St. James A. M. E. church, is determined to wipe out the debt hanging over that church. A rally meeting will be held on the third Sunday in April, at which it is expected to raise sufficient means to liquidate the debt. * * All the churches will have Easter services. The North Star and the First Baptist Sunday-schools will celebrate Easter jointly. * * A. M. Green, of the Bend, was in town Saturday. * * The pupils of the public schools had their quarterly examinations last week, which wound up with public rhetoricals on Friday the 25th. A number of the parents were present. The school is taught by Prof. H. F. Mitchell, assisted by Mrs. S. J. Green and Miss E. L. Green. * * Rev. S. G. Gaither, pastor of North Star Baptist church, went to Caroudelet this week. * * The Freeman is on sale every Saturday at S. W. Green's.

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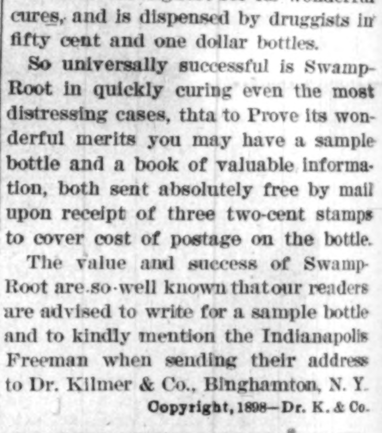

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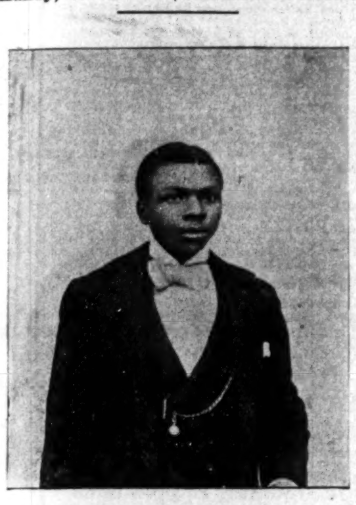

JAMES T. BOYD.

It is with much pleasure that we present to our thousands of readers this week the excellent likeness of Mr. James T. Boyd, America's youngest colored tragedian. Mr. Boyd's professional career, although brief, has been very successful. Mr. Boyd is considering an offer from a prominent Eastern manager to star in a company, producing a series of Shakespearian tragedies, assisted by a company composed of colored talent exclusively.

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Miss Belle Davis is now a member of Isham's Octoroons.

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The Norrises are playing dates through British Columbia.

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Mr. and Mrs. Billy McClain may make a trip to Australia in the near future.

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Marie Simpson, cornetist of Harrisburg, Pa., has accepted a long engagement in Chicago, Ill.

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"Darkest America" is playing to large and appreciative audiences through Iowa this week.

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Isham's Octoroons are playing too good business. Coley Grant and his wife have joined them and are a pleasing specialty.

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Mason's "Black Four Hundred company has undergone a reorganization. Messrs. Buck Mason and Samuel Pickett, are the sole proprietors.

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Messrs. Frank T. Patrick and Loyd Cooper, members of Jno. W. Vogel's "Darkest America" company, were made members of the McClain Lodge, No. 1, B. O. of C. P., last week.

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Mr. J. Ed. Green, manager of the famous Diamond Quartette, with Richards & Pringles Georgia Minstrels, also The Freeman's special representative with that organization, has been on the sick list the past week.

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Winn and Edmonds scored a tremendous hit in Pittsburg, last week at the World's Musee, in their new act entitled: "The Kings of Ebony Swells." So pronounced were their efforts that they were booked for another week.

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Preston T. Wright, proprietor and manager of the Nashville Students and P. T. Wright's Colored Comedy Co., died March 15, at Cincinnati, O., after an illness of two weeks. He was considered by all members of the colored profession as one of the leading and most successful of colored managers in this country. He was well thought of by all that had the pleasure of knowing him. His career dates back about twenty years. He was a member of the Kansas City Police Relief Association and other benevolent organizations and owner of a fine $10,000 palace-car and some real estate in Kansas City. His wife Ida Lee Wright and a baby boy survive him. The remains were enterred at Poaola, Kan.

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Frank Ellsworth, proprietor and manager of the Yellowstone Kit Medicine Show, writes that they are still doing big business at Corsicana, Tex. Chas. H. Williams, comedian, always scores a hit with his original jokes and songs. Jim Taylor, the tenor soloist, never misses the latest songs and sure of an encore. Prentiss Oliver, eccentric comedian, with his loud voice, never fails to attract the attention of the people. Our brass band is improving. We are having tremendous crowds nightly. Next week we go under canvass. Good jugglers, slack wire walkers, and magicians can secure an engagement.

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Notes from the Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels:—We were royally entertained by the 24th Infantry Band at Ft. Douglass, Salt Lake City, Utah, Sunday 20th.; We also had the pleasure of meeting the Georgia graduates at this city. W. O. Terry is still making a hit with his trombone solos. Baddy Glenn will soon be with us again. Allie Brown met a number of friends Salt Lake City. The No. 2 band received their spring uniforms at Denver, they are certainly "swell." I. N. Smith, A. B. Stokes, and Chas. Carrington are just off the sick list. Send fifty copies this week."

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The "Kit" Japanese Remedy Co., Roster—Frank Ellsworth, proprietor and manager, successor to "Yellowstone Kit," Chas. H. Williams, star comedian, and slide trombone player, J. W. Mobley and H. W. Clark, the two young Omaha boys have signed for the season. Mr. Mobley says that he is not a sight reader but knows black dots when he sees them. Mr. Clark is a favorite among all musicians, white and black. He has two marches of his own composition and they are "warm." Mr. Chas. H. Williams is the representative of the Freeman with this organization. Eddie J. Elliott is also a new member of our organization, he plays 1st alto in the band, and baritone singer. He is making a tremendous big hit with his buck and wing dancing. The company sends regards to all professionals.

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The Black Patti Troubadours are undoubtedly the best troupe of colored artists on the stage to-day. Their success on the Pacific coast has been unparalleled, they having won the record for business in all cities between St. Paul and Portland, Oregon, and scored the biggest hit made at the California theater, San Francisco in years. Their engagement at that house was extended to three weeks, where they played to standing room only. They are booked to appear as follows: Pueblo, April 1; Colorado Springs, April 2; Denver, Tabor Grand, week April 3; Omaha, Boyd's April 10, 11, 12, 13; Des Moines, April 14; Burlington April 15; Peoria, April 16; Chicago, Schiller Theater, week April 17; Cleveland, Lyceum Theater, week April 24; Detroit Lyceum Theater, week May 1; Toledo, May 8, 9, 10, 11; Columbus, May 12, 13, 14; Pittsburgh, Bijou, week May 15; Baltimore, Holliday St. Theater, week May 23; At home—Grand Opera House, New York City, week commencing decoration day, Monday, May 30.

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Mr. Edward Mallory, of Isham's "Octoroons" sent the following:

Whereas: It has pleased the Great Creator to remove from our midst, Mr. Eugene Hillman, who died March 17, '98, aged twenty-six years. He was a devoted husband and honored brother, a beloved son, one who was highly esteemed in the profession, a musical artist of no mean ability, and who was loved, honored and respected by all, and whereas, We believe that in him the theatrical profession has lost one of its shining lights, and our race one of its greatest creditors.

Therefore, Be it resolved: 1. That we extend our heartfelt sympathies to the bereaved family in their loss.

2. That we, recognizing the great worth of loss, both to the profession and the race, shall let it be uppermost in our memories the many occasions that he entertained thousands of humanity, many of whom were at his bier to pay him the homage that was due him, both as an artist and producer of many popular melodies.

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Another boom for P. G. Lowery's great concert band:—

Delphi, Ind., March 25, '98.—Mr. P. G. Lowery, dear sir:—The Nashville Students Comedy Co., who played in our opera house March 23d, is one of the best on the road. The playing of the band itself was remarkabley good, the two productions were solid and smooth and the phrasing admirable. Great vigor, dash and enthusiasm was conspicuous indeed. I can only say who missed hearing this band missed a tremendously and unusual good thing. I cannot close without a few direct remarks for Prof. P. G. Lowery, cornet soloist and leader of the band, your playing is remarkable for its simple and singular purity. The tones you produced are clear and well sustained and true to nature in their bird-like clearness and in their execution betray a delicacy of expression that marks the presence of a master performer. Hoping to have the pleasure of hearing you and your band sometime in the future, I remain respectfully, Prof. John Lathope, manager of the opera house, and band director of Delphi Concert Band.

J. HARRY JACKSON.

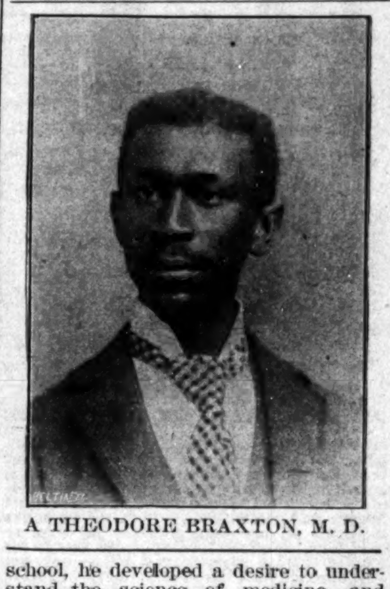
Interesting Notes.

Los Angeles, Cal., Special.—The Black Patti Trobadours have gone performance. The company made a after playing to crowded houses every favorable impression and won merited praise. * * Gen. W. S. Rosecrans, the old commander of the Army of the Cumberland, died recently at his home near this city. The funeral obsequies were in charge of old veterans and was conducted according to millitary rites. The body lay in state for several days and was viewed by throngs of citizens and veterans. A "battle scarred" American flag was a feature, while his body lay in state. * * Great preparations are being made for our annual festivities "The La-Friesta," which attracts many visitors to our city. The city is beautifully decorated for the occasion. * * The Ancient Order of Forresters gave an entertainment last Thursday night. A very interesting program added to the enjoyment of all The Forresters is the only order on the coast that affiliates with the white order. * * Mrs. Julia B. Roan, a singer of no small reputation, joined the Black Patti Troubadours. She is to take a leading part. * * Your agent had the pleasure of meeting H. Augustus Hall, who was at one time identified with the Freeman. * * Mrs. Gilbert Lewis and Miss Nannie Scott will soon leave for a visit to their old home in Chattanooga, Tenn. * * Rev. Jno. Pointer, presiding elder A. M. E. church, was in the city a few days. * * The T. C. Price Literary, of Zion A. M. E. church, is to discuss the lynching of Postmaster Baker, of Lake City, S. C., at its next meeting. The committee is arranging to have the matter fully discussed in all bearings. * * The churches are progressing. * * The annual message of Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Western Baptist, of California, is being distributed by its president, Mrs. W. S. Layton. It is beautifully gotten up. They meet in the city this fall.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.—Mr. Thomas Walden, an aged citizen, after a long illness, passed away on the 13th. We extend to the bereaved ones sympathy. * * Mrs. Donie Carpenter was buried on the 18th. * * Mrs. Rosa Peacock. Misses Pauline Moore and L. C. Hill are better at this writing. * * Mrs. D. A. White made our town a flying visit this week. * * Rev. Richardson with his phonograph gave two delightful entertainments this week, proceeds were divided with the Mt. Zion Baptist and A. M. E. churches, where the entertainments were held. * * Gold rings were given to Misses Eliza McChristian and Lou Floyd for highest number of tickets sold. * * Rev. Bowman is improving. * * Mrs. Cartwright is making some additions to her cottage. * * From last reports S. S. Medaris and Earnest Frost were quite sick. * * Prof. J. C. McAdams sent home some beautiful plants from Florida, a few days since. * * The Bible Band and Christian Endeavor, have their meeting every Sunday afternoon. Much interest is manifested in both.

A Prominent Citizens.

The subject of this sketch was born in Brunswick, Ga., in the early seventies, of slave parents. During his early training, at the home public



A THEODORE BRAXTON, M. D.

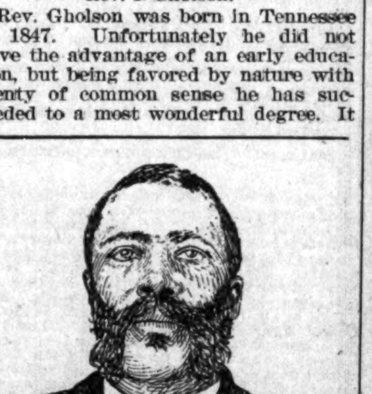
school, he developed a desire to understand the science of medicine, and having this in view he steadly worked with a will at his literary task until he arrived at the age of fourteen, which at which time, having completed the prescribed course of the public school he left for Tuskegee Normal School, Ala., where in 1892 he graduated with honors from the Literary and Printing department of that institution.

During the summer of '92 he became actively engaged in the organizing of Y. M. C. A. and Y. P. S. C. E. in Georgia. While engaged in this work, and having recently finished with a trade his services were eagerly sought by printing firms in Texas, Washington, D. C., and North Carolina; accepting a position in the latter place as instructor in printing and binding at Shaw University, which position he filled with honor and credit for three years. While in North Carolina he entered the Leonard Medical College, spending there three years. During the intervening months he spent time at the Brooklyn City Hospital, Scenery Hospital, N. Y. and Massachusetts General Hospital Boston, finishing in Feb. 1896 from Meharry Medical college salutatorian of his class. The following March the doctor located in Columbia, Tenn., where he enjoys the distinction and reputation of being the best physician in the town.

Dr. Braxton has not been in Columbia quite two years, but during this short period he has been honored with varied public positions, having been once elected delegate to State Republican League convention and twice honored with election of alternate state at large to United States convention. County commissioner of Tennessee Centennial and twice elected President of the Maury County Emancipation Organization. He is steadily fighting his way up amid difficulties numerous in the lives of all public men. Though a young man he is thoroughly interested in his race and is always found taking part in anything which tends to elevate and enable them. He believes in race pride and race elevation.

Rev. I. Gholson.

Rev. Gholson was born in Tennessee in 1847. Unfortunately he did not have the advantage of an early education, but being favored by nature with plenty of common sense he has succeeded to a most wonderful degree. It



REV. I. GHOLSON, Columbia, Tenn.

is said "somemen are born great, some achieve it, and others have it thrust upon them." We might say of Rev. Gholson that he is the "architect of his own fortune."

Personal Mention.

Wartrace, Tenn., Special:—Rev. J. S. Stubbs has left for Texas. His many friends are sorry to see him go. * * Jas. McGrew, Henry Irvin, Walter Green, and Walter Williams drove through to Shelbyville last Monday night. * * Ed Jones is still sick. * * Kite-flying and playing marbles seem to be the favorite diversion of the children here. * * Miss Luella Murphy left Saturday for Nashville. * * The school here closes the last of April, with examination during the day and exercises at night. We expect Rev. H. D. Canady, of Columbia and others from different places. * * The following named pupils—Laura Jones, Alberta Stubbs, Fred McClelland, Fanny Agnes Davidson, Rosa L. Murphy, Dave Webster and Ada Sutton have made out an excellent program for Friday evening. * * We should all read The Freeman.

ETHIOPIA SHALL STRETCH

(Concluded from First Page.)

smithing business he received a letter from Prof. Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee, Ala., making him a flattering offer. He thought he saw an opportunity to render greater service to himself and race by joining Mr. Washington's force and so he went to Tuskegee, where he accomplished many things for that celebrated institution. Afterward yielding to the desire to master photography. he left Tuskegee and made his home in Atlanta, Ga., where he succeeded in learning all the intricacies of photography No sooner had he accomplished this than an offer came to him to fill the important position of chief superintendent of the steam fitting and forging departments of the Fulton Bag and Cotton Company, of Atlanta, Ga. He accepted the offer. The great strike which resulted from the opening up of these important positions in that great factory for Negroes, is fresh in the memory of the reading public even to-day. When Mr. Lankford felt that he was in danger of receiving personal injury if he remained longer in the position, he resigned, and immediately went to Nashville, Tenn., where he found employment as night engineer in the Nashville Ice Comany's factory. It was this company that furnished all the ice for the exposition. It was while at Nashville that Prof. W. H. Councill heard of Mr. Lankford. And feeling the need of such a man, he invited him to join the teaching force at Normal.

Prof. W. H. Crogman, of Clarke University, and Bishop Henry M. Turner are among the friends who recommended Mr. Lankford. Mr. Lankford started to work early in September, 1897 and he has put in over five thousand dollars worth of machinery. He designed, planned and set up the entire steam-fitting, foundry and saw-milling plant at Normal. He has control of the best equipped engineering plant in the South.

Mr. Lankford has performed some very creditable work along his line. He has made it possible to furnish the entire grounds and all the buildings with water from our magnificent natural spring; he has discovered a chemical to weld the hardest steel, and is now working on a new process of making blue prints. He designed and furnished the drawing for the new Seay Hall, a large dormitory for boys, which will be one of the finest brick buildings on the grounds when completed; and he also furnished the design and drawing for the Hon. C. H. J. Taylor's publishing house which will be erected in Atlanta, Ga., in the very near future.

It is to such young men as John Lankford that the rising generation of Negroes must look for examples worthy of emulation, and his kind of worth will ultimately be counted as the real worth of, not only the Negro, but the worth of a man. Industry is the mainspring of national life. If we fail in this, we are destined to sink into pauperism and shame.

Jottings.

Chicago, Ill., Special:—The revival, which has been conducted at St. Stephens by Rev. Johnson was indeed a success. * * Next Sunday is trustee's day at St. Stephen's. This church is making great prparations for Easter.* * Mrs. Angeline Anderson, of Cassopolis, Mich., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Brown. * * A surprise party was given Saturday night the 26th in honor of H. Mowne's guest. * * The Tribe of Judea gave an entertainment at Providence Baptist church this week. * * Henry Brown, of Chesshire, Mich., will live with his brother George here. * * A social was given at Mrs. Price's Tuesday evening.

Notes.

Chambersburg, Pa., Special:—A grand pictorial exhibition was given in the A. M. E. Zion church Friday the 25th. * * Walter Smith and Mary Taylor were married on the 21. * * Thos. Cook and wife left for Weschester, their future home. * * Chas Ukherd, of Scotland school, is home for the summer. * * Mrs. Gertie Brown is visiting her sister, Miss Bettie Davis. * * With regret do we announce the severe illness of Miss Annie Strother. * * Geo. Williams is ill. * * A bouncing boy has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Johnston. * * Dora Merricks has left Hotel Washington. * * Mrs. Luther Campbell is visiting her mother in Marion. * * Philip Brown spent the 21st. in Carlise, the guest of Miss Emma Jackson. * * Rev. Jos. Stiles, pastor of St. James church, is a Christian man in every respect and the members of said church look upon him with pride. * * Miss Blanch Christian rendered several musical selections at St. James S. S. Sunday, * * Jas. Tall says there is no place like home.

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Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 19, 1898.

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I. "The locust eradicated every spire of green."
II. "The burns I deemed slight, proved fatal."
III. "Far across the sugar fields, shone the cabin lights."
IV. "Tho' master of the situation, yet his courage failed."
V. "Count the milestones as you go."
VI. "The sleet filled his eyes, nearly blinding him."
VII. "Down the long street they marched to the sound of fife and drum."
VIII. "The picket turned suddenly looking in my direction."
IX. "From the top of the bank she gazed eagerly upon the rushing waters."
X. "She loved the earl, yet her manner was distant."

Recognizing that many have neither time nor opportunity to search history for the names of American Generals, we herewith submit a list of twelve names, in which appears every name in above quotations:—Garfield, McClellan, Miles. Custer, Thomas, Burnside, Rosecrans, Longstreet, Lee, Pickett, Early, Banks.

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CHAPTER XXXVI.

When Brown left New York he went direct to "Silver Lake," a town in Colorado, just three miles east of Red Cliff where Sarah Jane Smith's restaurant and hotel were located. It was likewise a growing mining town, which a rival railroad was building up. It had no hotel or eating house. Brown bought a lot built a hotel and coined money. Red Cliff grew toward the town of Silver Lake and Silver Lake grew towards the town of Red Cliff until there was only one mile between them. Miss Smith and Brown had the only hotels in the two places and each heard of the other's fame. At last they met and agreed to work together in order to keep out others. They agreed to raise or lower the price of bed and board, as the case might require if a third or fourth party came upon the field. They "cornered" eggs and butter and fixed the prices so both made over one hundred per cent; as they were the only colored people in that section they spent all of their few idle days together, notwithstanding the fact there was no color line drawn. Each year found or at least left them richer than the previous one until one year Brown left his business in the care of Miss Sarah Jane Smith and paid New York a visit, partly on pleasure bent and partly on business.

When Brown returned to New York City he had been absent five years; he left in September, 1890, and returned in October, 1895. The changes in a large city in half a decade are something wonderful, and when one has not been present to see these changes advance from year to year you are filled with surprise when you see lots that were vacant when you left, covered with fine houses; streets or sections of streets where you left dwelling houses filled, or where you left small two-story houses you find seven, eight, nine, ten and eleven-story buildings. Such was our hero's surprise when he found the building in which he left the firm of J. W. Draper & Co. replaced by a large twelve-story one and occupied by a large wholesale dry goods firm. He could find no trace of the old firm. He went over to Brooklyn and was again surprised to find a large public hall built upon the property where the house of Miss May Brandus' aunt stood. He looked in the city directory, but could not find either the name of Miss Brandus or her aunt. He asked their whereabouts from one of the neighbors and was informed that the old lady had sold out and removed to Chicago and that Miss Brandus had married and moved over to New York city some where above 125th street in the section known as Harlem.

When his reason asked why he was so anxious to find Miss Brandus, he said he was not anxious to find her; when self asked why he inquired after her, he made no reply, but gave up the hunt. After he had visited his old friends and seen the improvements and new points of view he visited a well known dry goods and notions auction house where he purchased three or four cases of dry goods and notions which he shipped to Silver Lake, Col., in Miss Smith's care, as he had long since contemplated opening a dry goods store in addition to his hotel. After spending about six weeks in New York city he prepared to return West where fortune and good luck seemed to stand in his pathway and where everything he placed his hand upon seemed to turn to gold, silver or greenbacks.

"There is a tide in the affairs of men,
Which, taken at the flood, leads on to
Fortune."
"Good unexpected, evil unforseen,
Appear by turns, as Fortune shifts the
scene.
Some praised aloft, some tumbling
down amain,
Then fall so hard, they bound and rise
again."
"All our advantages are those of Fortune;
Birth, health, wealth, beauty, are her
accidents."

CHAPTER XXXVII.

"What became of Miss Brandus?" asks the young lady reader, who is only interested in the "love" part of the story.

"What became of the firm of J. W. Draper & Co.?" asks the young man who is only interested in the business part of the romance. In answer to both we will say: Wait; wait if you please! If you will give the author time to mix facts with his great(?) imagination and boil the two up (or down) until you cannot tell "which from which" you will hear the whole story. It may be true that the story will not end the way you would have it, or the way you would have it end, if you had the author's "great" ability to write it (please pardon self praise) but it will end, so read on until the end.

Three years after Brown left New York, Draper sold out; sold store, stock, "good will" and—his slaves, better known as his employes, still they were as much his slaves as if he had bought them from the auction block in Richmond or New Orleans slaves, the nearer we are to the conclusion that the dark skinned slaves were the better off of the two. The slaves of yesterday knew they were slaves; the slaves of to-day think they are free people, but they are not. They are bound by circumstances and poverty, fettered with as heavy chains as the slaves of the past. The employees of the large dry goods and "department stores" (for the instruction of the rural reader we will say that a department store is a city "country cross-roads store"—a store where you can buy any thing from a pin to a dress, from a bar of soap to a barrel of flour, from a carpet tack to a set of furniture and almost from a cradle to a coffin—in fact anything) are slaves. They are politely called "bread winners;" we repeat they are slaves with master and overseers as of yore. They hurry from their homes, men, women and boys and girls over fourteen (the law of New York will not allow a child to leave school until it is fourteen) and rush for the store or factory in which they are employed. Eight o'clock as a rule is the hour for commencing work. When they reach the door they are obliged to pass an overseer (called time-keeper) "'fore ther wah sah," as slavery exists now as much as then only it is in the North and the slaves are white not black.

There were several differences between the slaves of 1895 and those of 1855 besides their skins; the white slaves could choose their masters, the black slaves could not; the white slaves were obliged to buy their own clothing and pay for their humble homes, or more properly speaking, their sleeping places, as about the only time they were allowed at home was sleeping hours; the master of the ante-bellum slaves furnished these "comforts" for their slaves. The white slaves of to-day work in the large stores of the large cities as salesmen, saleswomen and shop girls; the black ones of the past worked in the rice, corn, tobacco and cotton fields and were known as "plantation hands." It is an open question which of the two types enjoyed the greatest amount of life's pleasures and blessings which God intended for mankind to enjoy. The more we study the condition, obligations, hopes and fears of the two classes of person's name the time he or she enters. If five minutes late he so records it and the tardy slave is "docked" unless the unfortunate can give the manager or superintendent (overseer) a good—very good—logical excuse, after which if they are factory hands they go at once to their spindles, wheels or work benches and work until noon, hardly daring to look up and not allowed to speak only upon business to one another. They are not allowed to leave their work only from some natural or uncontrollable circumstances. If they are employees of a store they take their places behind their respective counters and sell goods; if their master (employer) is a dishonest business man, they lie for him, telling you that half cotton goods thirty inches wide is "all wool and a yard wide." In fact, they do their master's will with fear—fear that they will loose their places and their bread and butter. Like the slaves of old, once and again some resolute, unhappy slaves will resolve to emancipate themselves. The males attempt to reach freedom by going into business for themselves with little or no money to back them and like the slaves of old who made unsuccessful attempts to reach freedom, are forced back to their old employers or worse ones. The females look for escape through marriage. Marriage is their "under ground rail road" from the ribbon counter and factory spindle. They are females, however. past the stage of 'true love" (if there is any true love in womanhood), who are looking out for opportunities to better their condition—to "live like a lady and have nigger servants," and therefore refuse the offer of many a man in the same walks of lofe as themselves who loved them and would have provided for them a happy if not a luxurious home, so they continue to be slaves, hoping against hope for freedom from the store or factory.

Sometimes the master of the white slave of to-day, like the master of the black slave of yesterday, sells out "bag and bagger" store and employees, like the master of the past sold out plantation and "hands." J. W. Draper sold out; he sold store, lease of building, "good will," stock and employees for a fabulous sum—$150,000—a fortune in itself. The business of Mr. Draper was in a corner building in the heart of the business portion of Broadway next door to which was a dry goods store. The "department store" method was pushing all dry goods stores to the wall and the firm of "Brown & Bro." were obliged to either buy out Draper & Co., build a double six-story "department store" or go out of business. The Browns formed a stock company and raised several hundred thousand dollars (a fact which Mr. Draper learned in some way). They made, through their lawyer, an offer to Draper to buy him out at a goodly figure. Draper's reply was that he did not want to sell out; had no cause to do so; business never was better, etc, etc. The lawyer was instructed to make him another offer which Draper refused. A third offer was made when Mr. Draper said being as he was "annoyed" by the Browns, he would sell the whole business, stock, lease and "good will" for $150,000, with the employees thrown in as good measure. It was a high price but the Browns bought him out. Clifford was a personal friend of the Junior Brown and when he heard of the purchase saw his friend and got the position of manager of the clothing department of the consolidated stores. The old buildings were at once pulled down in the New York style—piece by piece, without disturbing the business, and rebuilt into a large seven-story "department store." Clifford's heart filled with revenge toward Miss Brandus, who he thought had wronged him, his heart filled with pity for our hero, who he knew he had wronged; he tried in vain to find Charles Forrester Brown, in order that he might atone for the wrong done him by giving him his old place. The good in him came to the surface; the bad was always there; he was good and bad, he was so much of each at this time that it was hard to pass judgment upon him or know what his future would be.

"In men whom men condemn as ill
I find so much of goodness still;
In men whom men pronounce divine
I find so much of sin and blot
I hesitate to draw a line

[To be continued.]

The Zenith Attained.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 19, 1898.

Mr. Knox: Inclosed I hand you money order for subscription to The Freeman and a copy of Sept. 11, '97, which number will make my eighth volume, all beautifully bound. Please hurry along this paper of the 11th, so I can hand it to my binder. Refering to the Christmas number of The Freeman, I am proud to say that superb zenith was veritably attained in this number, both in typography and in the elegance of contributions. In its general make-up the question was undoubtedly settled by all fair-minded thinkers that The Freeman as a true race journal leads, and all others follow. Yours,

JOHN J. THOMAS.

One of Thousands.

Alexandria, La., Jan. 4, 1898.

Editor Freeman—I find it impossible for me to keep posted about the negro's progress and the vital issues that touch his public life and his weal and woe in general, except I receive and read The Freeman.

I also feel it my duty to give you my support, financial and otherwise, because of the heroic and manly, just and sensible stand that you have taken upon all questions that concern the negro. Your policy has not been vacillating, your principles have at all times been known. You've spoken out in no compromising manner against the injustice and harshness that the race suffers.

Find inclosed a money order for one year's subscription to The Freeman.

Wishing you and The Freeman another triumphant and successful year, I am,

Yours for justice and progress,

Editor The Freeman: Your paper for the past twelve months has proven to be the "comfort of home," and has given me thorough satisfaction. It has brought pleasure where there were disappointments, sunshine where there were shadows and gladness where there were sorrows. Yours truly,

MRS. BETSY BAILEY.

Rudolph, Tenn.

Personal Mention.

Brookhaven, Miss., Special.—Dr. O R. Ross, of the A. M. E. church Natchez, Miss., paid our city a shor visit. While here he was the guest o Rev. R. A. Adams. • Rev. R. A Adams, pastor of the A. M. E. church is succeeding wonderfully with his revival services. During his two month here thirty-seven have been converted and fifty-eight accessions to the church.

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PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING:

Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This is to certify that I came to New York from Albany. I was a stranger in a strange city, out of work and out of money. I had no luck in anything I undertook. What to do I did not know. A friend advised me to go and see Dr. Shea. I did. He told me the cause of my troubles; he took me in and treated me as a brother. Through him I got a good position that very week. I had been to others; they took my money and did me no good. I bless the day I first met Dr. Shea. I would advise all in bad luck, sick or in trouble to go to him at once.

Sincerely, Albert Ayers,

2987 Atlantic Ave.

Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years. I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead. Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250. I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me. I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do.

Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,

121-23rd Street.

A SENSATION IN BROOKLYN—A MINISTER'S STATEMENT!

I wish to state that one of my parishoners was sick and in trouble for a long time, Mrs. Brown, 37 Gay street. No one seemed to understand her case. She had several doctors, but none of them seemed to know what was the matter. None could do her any good. It was my duty as her pastor to call and see her. Hearing of the wonderful work being done by Dr. Shea the last few years, I thought I would call and see him myself, I found him a sympathetic gentleman. He gave me a wonderful test of his powers; told me to send him a lock of patient's hair, which I did by her daughter. He told at one what was the matter and in a short time cured her sound and well. Her family had seemingly been under a cloud. Now all is changed. All are well and prosperous. I can truely and heartily recommend Dr. Shea, to all those in sickness or distress of any kind, Rev. William Johnson, pastor Lebanon church, Brooklyn.

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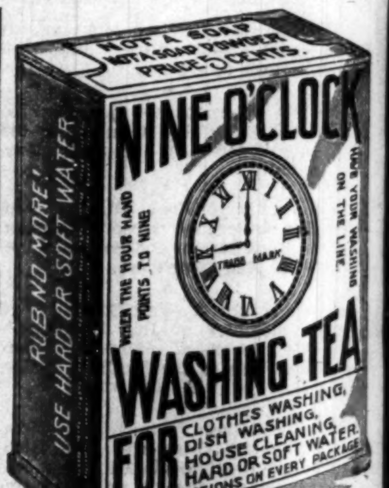

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Hon. Blanche K. Bruce, was born in slavery, but he was also born to be a leader of his race, and he turned his birthright to such good account that by sheer force of merit and ability he rose successively to the positions of United States Senator, Recorder of Deeds in Washington and Register of the Treasury under two adminstrations. The career of Blanche K. Bruce was a striking proof of the uplifting force of education, and it was also a demonstration that in America there is oportunity for all men, regardless of race or color, despite the pessimistic views upon the subject so often heard to the contrary.—Philadelphia Record.

Blanche K. Bruce, once a slave, but a United States Senator at the remarkably early age of thirty-four, like Fred Douglass, was the beneficiary of exceptional conditions, such as are not now enjoyed by his brethren. After the war the imagination of the North was inflamed as to the virtues as well as the sufferings of the Negro race, and its few conspicuous members enjoyed the usufruct. Carpet-bag government in the South made possible their rise to the most exalted posts. Thus it was that Pinchback became Governor of Louisiana; thus it was that Bruce became a member of the "greatest deliberative body on earth;" thus it was that John M. Langston went to Congress. Like Dougless, however, Bruce was able to conduct himself with so much propriety that with the avenues to distinction in his State closed he was yet able to lay successful claim upon federal patronage for the remainder of his life. He did not sink into obscrity like Pinchback and Revels.—Courier-Journal.

A Budget of Newsy Jottings.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Special:—Mr. and Mrs. Al Standard, of Newble Avenue tendered their guests, Miss Fredonia Lewis and Lyman Merriweather a very pleasant party Monday eve. A jolly crowd of young friends were present and they enjoyed themselves immensely. Mrs. Mary Edwards and Mrs. Anna Edminstors entertained at the beautiful home of the latter's on Newbie Avenue, last Tuesday evening, in honor of Mrs. Lucy Hodge, of Henderson, Ky. All present enjoyed an evening of social pleasure. * * A party was given by Mr. and Mrs. Will Caliway, at their residence on Grand Avenue, Friday eve. At a late hour supper was served. * * Mrs. Lucy Hodge, of Henderson, Ky., who was called here a few weeks ago to attend the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. James Green, of Grand Avenue, returned to Henderson Monday. * * A. L. Summers left for Mt. Carmel, Sunday night, to accept a position. His family will reside in Mt. Vernon.* * C. F. Davis, of Champaign, enroute to Anniston, Ala., stopped here a few days last week, the guest of his wife and son. In company with his wife and son they departed for Aniston, where they will make his sister, Mrs. Mattie L. Green, a briefvisit. * * Mrs. Harriet Bell and Master Elwood Stigger returned from Centralia, where they have been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Calliway. * * Rev. R. R. Howard made a 14 days' business trip to New York. He visited the following cities: Washington, D. C., Boston, Philadelphia and Brooklyn. He returned Friday delighted with his journey. * * Rev. J. W. Owsley, P. E., came up from Cairo Thursday and was the guest of his family over Sunday.

UNION CITY ITEMS.

Union City, Tenn., Special.—Rev. T. S. Johnson has begun a series of meetings at the A. M. E. church. * * The Court of Queen Esther is the only colored organization in this city that owns its own hall. * * W. M. Hawkins, of Halena, Ark.,and Miss Vinie Alexander were married Wednesday the 23d at the C. P. church. Rev. C. B. Rowland officiated. Misses Susie Scruggs, Mary Wells, Frank Long and Jessie Scruggs attended the couple. Mrs. Sarah Morris playing the wedding march and suppor was served at Mrs. Clemons. * * Miss Annie Chambers returned from Trasvant after a two weeks visit. * * A chicken thief is making life burdensome for raisers in the neighborhood of Baptistville. * * Always have your money ready for the agent. He is always on time. * * Subscribe for The Freeman and keep up with the times.

The Freeman in California.

H. C. Allen has taken the general agency for The Freeman, and will have on every issue plenty of copies for sale. The Freeman is offering special inducements for this season.—New Searchlight, Los Angeles, Cal.

BIT OF HUMAN NATURE.

A Hasty Conclusion About a Woman That Was Changed Later.

Two little girls occupied seats together on an elevated train the other night. Both were scantily dressed, hollow eyed and hungry looking. They were unmistakably of that class known as "cashgirls" employed in the down town department stores, for each addressed the other by a number in lieu of a name.

Directly opposite them sat a fashionably dressed woman who was accompanied by a well groomed male escort. Upon their entrance the conversation of the little girls stopped abruptly and there was something pitiful in the earnestness with which both watched every move of the woman so stunningly gowned. Two pairs of abnormally keen though tired eyes thoroughly investigated every bit of finery in her apparel, from the highest plume of her hat to the soft, natty shoes which incased her shapely feet.

"Say, 76," whispered the smaller of the two girls, leaning toward her companion, "she's a real lady, she is. You can tell by her make up. Ain't that a beaut of a hat, though? And look at that diamond breastpin! Whew! I'll bet that hat cost all of"—

"Sh!" interrupted 76 in an undertone. "She'll hear you." There was a spell of silence as both girls leaned back with their heads resting against the top of the seat. They were enjoying the dazzling picture before them.

After glancing over a section of a newspaper which the man had given her the woman folded it up and handed it back to him.

"Did you get the tickets?" she asked.

"Yes," was the answer in an indifferent tone.

"Let me see them."

He extracted a small envelope from his vest pocket and handed it to her. "By the way," he remarked, "we will have to go tonight. I couldn't get good seats for tomorrow, and rather than miss it I took these."

"Tonight?" she repeated in a tone of vexation. "You know well enough that we can't go tonight. We have another engagement"—

"Which we can conveniently cancel," he interpolated.

"Indeed we will not," she retorted, with a determined stamp of her foot.

A protracted argument followed which was not too low for the cashgirls to learn the drift.

"You can go to Mrs. Brown's alone."

BEFORE AND AFTER THE SHAVE.

finally exclaimed the man, "and I will take your mother to the theater! We can call for you on our way home if you insist on going."

"You'll not go to the theater with anybody. You must and will go to Mrs. Brown's with me." Thus asserting herself, she deliberately tore the envelope containing the tickets in minute parts and threw them on the floor.

They left the train at the next station, he with a disgusted look on his face and she with head erect and a defiant glare in her bright eyes.

Scarcely had the rustle of her garments ceased to be heard when 76 sagely observed: "You're all off, 27. She ain't a real lady. It's only her fine duds what makes you think so. She's only an imitation, and no clerk would take her to a window if she wanted to make a sale."—Boston Herald.

The Terrapin Knew Him.

When the late Major Moses P. Handy lived in Washington, he was frequently attending dinners at Chamberlin's. At every dinner at all out of the ordinary it was Chamberlin's habit to pass around the table alive the terrapin that (it was assumed) the guests were to eat later.

One night, as Major Handy told the story, when the live terrapin were brought in, as usual, he noticed, as he thought, one of the terrapins wagging his head at him. At the next banquet the same thing happened again, and at the next one of the terrapin detached himself from the rest and, crawling across the table to the major's plate, rose on his hind legs, and, resting his fore legs against a convenient tumbler, he bowed three times, solemnly; but courteously, to the astonished and awestruck guest.

Upon investigation it was discovered that the terrapin had seen the major so frequently at Chamberlin's festal board that he recognized him as an old friend and politely addressed him as such. Mr. Chamberlin is said to have resented this story as a reflection on the freshness of his terrapin.—Kansas City Journal.

Two Capital Stories.

I pass into Arlington street, where Sheridan, sickened with his losses at play, kicked a man over who protested that he was only tying his shoe. "D—n you!" said Sheridan. "You are always tying your shoe!" Horace Walpole calls it the Ministerial street, where Pulteney and Lady Mary Montagu lived and on both sides of which Sir Robert Walpole had a house, where in my youth the Duke of Hamilton, with a beauty like a god's, was often to be seen.

Turning into Piccadilly there is the chariot of Lady Peel, who never missed her daily drive with her daughter in the park, and the yellow chariot of the Duchess of Cleveland, with her two tall footmen in breeches and silk stockings and their long canes. She was a lady with a philosophic turn of mind, for when her husband died she asked a relative down to the funeral and told him to bring his gun, adding, "We are old, we must die, but the pheasants must be shot."—Sir Algernon Nest in Nineteenth Century.

A Compensating Condition.

"I deceived you about one thing," murmured the new wife to her husband. "I am older than I told you."

"Don't mention it, my angel. I find that your fortune is fully twice as large as I had supposed."—Detroit Free Press.

STOLE A $10,000 OPINION.

The Widow of a Famous General Who Needed Money to Dress Well.

Some years ago the widow of a famous Union general was intimate with the wife and daughters of a justice of the supreme court and was as familiar with their home as with her own, which was in the immediate neighborhood. She was also intimate with the family of a prominent and popular lobbyist, who was supposed to represent Jay Gould, C. P. Huntington and other men of large interests whenever anything concerned them in congress. All the parties are now dead, except the lady in the case, whom I will call Mrs. Smith. She was a handsome, ambitious and frivolous woman, whose husband committed suicide by drowning himself in his bathtub. She lived a gay life afterward, but managed to keep many of her old friends. Knowing her love of money and the fact that her income did not keep pace with her expenses, the lobbyist told her that he would give her $10,000 if she could get him a copy of the opinion which the justice was expected to deliver in the supreme court on the following Monday, involving the constitutionality of the Thurman Pacific railroad law. He told her that he knew the opinion was in manuscript and believed that the judge had it locked up in the desk in his library.

Sunday morning, as soon as she saw the justice and his family start for church, she went across the street, around Thomas circle, rang the bell and told the servant that she wanted to look at a book in the justice's library. As she was accustomed to go about the house almost daily they thought nothing of it, and she was allowed to remain undisturbed in the same room with the decision for nearly two hours. It is supposed that she had a set of false keys, for the justice said that the opinion was locked up in his desk and could not have been reached otherwise. But at any rate the lobbyist is known to have obtained the opinion in advance, and the woman was shortly after able to pay off some pressing obligations. An investigation disclosed the facts I have stated, and it seemed to be the only possible way the opinion could have been obtained. Of course the incident terminated relations between the two families, and when the story got out about town Mrs. Smith found it more comfortable to rent her Washington residence and remove to New York.—Chicago Record.

Chimney or Hearth Money.

What you call "chimney money" is the same as the house tax called "hearth money." It was established as a means of making up the deficiency in the revenue granted after the restoration to Charles II. It was repealed by I and II William and Mary, c. 10, but was reimposed in Scotland in September, 1690, at the rate of 1s. 2d. for every hearth. The repeal was one of the first boons conceded by William on his arrival.—"History of Taxation," by Dowell.

Navies of the World.

The Army and Navy Year Book rates the navies of the world as follows: 1, Great Britain; 2, France; 3, Russia; 4, Italy; 5, United States; 6, Germany; 7, Spain; 8, Japan; 9, Austria; 10, Netherlands. Under present naval contracts Japan in 1899 will go to the fifth place, crowding down the United States and Germany one point.

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The May Fair at Bethel A. M. E. Church will begin May 16.

Miss Phila Stewart will render a solo at the 9th Presbyterian church tomorrow evening.

Somthing definite about Cuba by the Hon. G. L. Jones at the Easter Big Four.

Mr. George Hill has been appointed by the school board to take the school enumeration.

Witness the musical wrangle at the Easter Big Four, April 11, at the Second Baptist church.

Miss Victoria Dickerson, of State avenue, who has been ill for some time, is convalescing.

Lillie Simms and Ida Wilson were both arrested last Tuesday for assault and battery on each other.

Gabriel Darnell, a pensioner, was fined $1.00 and costs in Police Court last Saturday morning for being intoxicated.

Gabriel Jones, Jas. Hurt, Wm. Pierce, Chas. Stapp, Jos. Lane, went to work for Township Assessor, Eugene Saulcy Friday morning of this week.

In selecting your spring suits don't forget to examine the metropolitan styles displayed by T. W. Fleming, the tailor, 316 Indiana avenue.

Mr. Don D. Wells, of 528 Agness St., celebrated his 37th birthday last Sunday in an appropriate manner. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Moss, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Ollie McCary, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. White, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Kersey, Mrs. Remus Moore and Mrs. Ollie Taylor.

Harry Wicks, Al. White and Samuel Hunter, charged with robbing Ferdinand Winter, of $95, were discharged in Police Court last Tuesday morning.

We invite our readers to give consideration to the advertisement of the Palace Dry Goods and Manufacturing Co., on the last page. They will treat you right and guarantee you satisfaction.

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"The Christian Sabbath, or Why Christians Keep Sunday," will be the subject of a series of sermons by the Rev. D. A. Graham, at Bethel church beginning to-morrow evening. A special invitation is extended to all Seventh Day Adventists.

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The 18th annual sermon of the Knights of Pythias, was delivered by Sir Knight Rev. J. W. Carr, at Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday afternoon. The church was appropriately and artistically decorated, and was overcrowded at the services. Pythianism is on the increase in this State.

Frederick Aldred, proprietor of the "Bike" saloon has taken an appeal to the Superior Court from Justice of the Peace Walpole's decision, granting Gabriel L. Jones$50 damages against him. Aldred refused to serve Mr. Jones a "business man's lunch" except at extraordinary prices and also that he eat it up stairs.

The Ninth Presbyterian church is making elaborate preparations to celebrate Easter. The Sunday-school will render a special program and special song recitals will be held at the morning and evening services. Messrs. Ezra Roberts, Frank Brown, Mrs. Kathryn Crossen Harper, Misses Maud Mitchell and Katie Clay will participate in the exercises.

Our readers are especially invited to visit the New Shoe Store at (new) 217 Indiana avenue, where they can find a full line of the latest styles and colors of ladies', gents', misses' and children's shoes at rock bottom prices. Mr. S. E. Hedrick, the proprietor, is a genial gentleman, and he guarantees "honest goods at lowest prices." He earnestly solicits your patronage. See his advertisement on the local page.

Personal and Society.

Mr. Remus Moore spent Sunday in Chicago, the guest of friends.

Easter Big Four at the Second Baptist church Monday evening, April 11.

Revs. Sissle and Gilliam are attending conference in Terre Haute this week.

Just the thing you ought to hear—a talk of physical culture at the Easter Big Four.

Mr. Elwood Knox returned Wednesday from a visit to his wife in Shelbyville, Ky.

For the first time see the battleship Maine Avengers at the Easter Big Four.

Mr. John F. Dade, of Washington, D. C., was in the city Monday, the guest of Mr. Walter Scott.

Hear the great harpist, Sig. Ginseppe Marone, the Italian harpist from Chicago, Ill., at the Easter Big Four.

Mrs. Ida M. Underwood, of 2116 Columbia ave., is the guest of her sisters, Mesdames Parker and Watterman, of Logansport.

Everyone should attend the Easter Big Four at the Second Baptist church, April 11. Admission to suit the times—10 cents.

Marriage licenses were issued this week to Mr. Jno. D. Morris and Miss Nettie Prince, and also to Perry Warfield and Susie Beckley.

Mr. C. C. Carter, of Minneapolis, Minn., was in the city last week en route to Montreal, Canada. He paid the Freeman sanctum a visit.

Mr. Thomas Willis and Miss Nellie Booker were married last Friday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, 315 Muskingum St., Rev. D. A. Graham officiating.

Messrs. Frederick A. Stokes and Clarence Hill graduated from the Medical College of Indiana last Tuesday evening. The exercises took place at English's Opera House.

J. Harry Jackson, superintendent of the mechanical department of The Freeman, and Miss Minnie D Burns, were quietly married, at the bride's residence 630 N. Superior street, Monday evening, March 14

The Musical Symposium, given at Bethel A. M. E. church last Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Usher Board, was a decided success. The Magic City, Lone Star and Nonpariel quartettes contested for honors which was won by the Nonpariel Quartette. Much credit is due Mr. H. L. Sanders as manager of the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wayne gave a very handsome luncheon last Monday, at their cosy home in West Vermont street, their guest of honor being Mr. Jno. Shelton, of Frankfort, Ky. The guests were Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Burnett Fisher, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Henderson, Mrs. Amanda Mayne, Miss Lizzie Sweeney, Mr. Will Fisher, Mr. Henry Williams.

Allen Chapel Notes.

Mr. Michael Benson worshiped with us last Sunday.

The report from the rally will appear next week.

Monthly communion service to-morrow. Be at your post.

Let every member and friend of the Chapel buy a copy of it.

Rev. M. Lewis, P. E. , preached an excellent sermon last Sunday morning.

See the Freeman for our Easter exercises. The program will appear in full.

Miss Florence Miller, Miss Hettie Shears and James Neal are improving slowly.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society was led last Friday by Miss May Turner.

The Library Masque last Friday evening was a decided success. The ladies realized quite a neat little sum.

The Auxiliary Society met last week at the residence of Mrs. Sallie McGee, Martindale ave.

Rev. Murray is to preach to the Christian Endeavorers to-morrow evening. You are invited. Come.

Rev. H. E. Stewart, of Washington, O., preached a very instructive sermon last Sunday evening. He left last Monday for Seymour to visit his parents.

Rev. Chas. Allen, of Anderson, and Rev. W. M. Collins, of Franklin, exchanged pulpits last Sunday and were the guest of Rev. Murray last Saturday and Monday.

A Successful Entertainment.

The pupils of the 6th and 7th grades of school No. 5, in Norwood, under the supervision of Miss Ada B. Harris, gave a concert last Saturday evening. The proceeds of this entertainment will be used to buy material to introduce sewing into the school. The affair proved very successful, although the weather was very inclement, and $20 was realized. Miss Harris was assisted in entertaining by Miss Ella Johnson and Miss Clara Mays, the teachers in charge of the primary department. Miss Harris and her able assistants deserve much credit for their efforts to keep apace in educational lines with the best schools. The trustee, Mr. Horace Makepeace contributed largely and is in sympathy with the move that has been taken.

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Dyersburg News Notes.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special—Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Mitchell will give a citizen's banquet at their home, Saturday April 2, from 7:30 to 11:30, all are very cordially invited to be present. * * Mrs. Mattie Bennett is very ill. * * Messrs. Jno. Davis and Tony Anderson are popular house-movers. * * Mrs. Dave Connell continues to improve. * * Mrs. Elam, of Milan, mother of Mrs. M. Yanse is in the city. * * Felix Woodson was dangerously hurt by barbed wire while fencing. * * Mrs. Sarah Nelson, of New Bethel lies dangerously ill at her home. * * Pete Thomas, of Findley was in the city Saturday and became a regular subscriber to the Freeman. * * Finis Bonnett has become a regular subscriber to the Freeman. * * Bill Tucker is now able to walk with a crutch. He was recently stricken with paralysis. * * Golden Cross No. 2 gave a rabbit run at the U. B. F. Hall on Thursday night, March 24th. It was a grand affair and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all. * * Saturday night, March 19 three large brick stores on Main street were destroyed by fire. Loss $20,000, insurance $15,000.* * Mrs. Anna Hautin will visit Memphis soon, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wynne * * Lenzie Jackson the famous barbecuer will have his grand opening, Saturday, April 9, '98, at the Jackson Park on S. Broadway. Your presence is respectfully solicited. * * John Green is out after an illness of several days. * * Miss Rosa Lee has been on the sick list during the past week. * * Wash Wynne, of New Bethel was in the city Saturday. * * Dr. W. F. Baker, pastor First Baptist church has been re-elected pastor by the members, without a dissenting voice. * * The residence of Calvin Masse at 27 West Market was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning.* Rev. A. J. Fleming will give a Louisiana Creole Hen's Nest Find on the 29, and 30th of April, 1898, at the A. M. E. church. A reward of $2 will be given the finder. The following night a church banquet will be given. * * * * Jesse James is now at the Afro-American Tonsorial parlors on Court street. * * The Grand Literary Society is a new organization which meets at the A. M. E. church each Tuesday evening. * * The Shakespearian Literary Circle meets each Friday at 7:30 p. m. * * The question for discussion on Sunday before the B. Y. P. U. ,at New Bethel, was "How Shall We Attain Perfection?" The discussion was opened by Rev. Fan Light, followed by Rev. Edmund Wynne, Ed. Fisher, Nelson Peacock, Tobe Light, Miss Belle Tipton, Wiley Hill, Pate Thomas and Mrs. Juda Woodson Wynne. * * P. M. Tipton, of Finley, was in the city Friday. * * Anthony Taylor, of Trenton, is in the city. * * One of the leading Dyer county Afro-American agriculturalists received a draft a few days ago for $700 payment of his bounty and pension claims to date for services rendered during the war. * * Perry E. Sylsly is now with Wilson & Co., on Front street. * * Mrs. Dinah Hantin is visiting in Memphis. * * Israel Spence is spending a few days at home. * * The rally at the First Baptist Church on the 20th. was a success. There were four clubs out and they donated $103.65. Mrs. Sarah F. Fitzerpatrick's club $32.-50; Mrs. Bachet Williams' club 30.00; Mrs. Hill Smith's club $20.00; Mrs. Mary Utley's club, $15.27. At the night service enough was raised to make the amount $103.65. * * Subscribe for the Freeman. The popular illustrated Negro journal. It is only five cents per copy or $1.50 per year delivered every Saturday morning. * * Henry Clay Walker, jr. city correspondent, by order of Rev. Henry Bonnett. * * A grand rally will take place soon at the A. M. E. church. Full particulars next issue.

Personal Mention.

Milwaukee, Wis., Special:—Mrs. Josephine Williams, of Chicago, Miss Maggie Henison and C. Black were entertained by R. B. Montgomery. * * Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Robinson are in the city. Their intention is to locate here. * * R. B. Montgomery is securing many places of employment for colored people. He has at present twenty-five places for girls. * * Rev. James Higgens and wife have done much to aid the young people of the city. * *

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The musical and lecture given at St. Marks' was a success. Miss Shaw lectured on "Woman and Her True Position." * * Rev. E. Jamison and wife are carrying on a good work at Salem. * * Miss Nannie Long, of Chicago, is going to make this her future home. * * Reuben Vaughn has accepted a position in the city. * * The colored Republicans have organized a club. * * Mrs. Annie Henderson left for Chicago on the 11th.**Miss Maude Johnson visited her parents in Fon Du Lac. * * Chas. Gentry is on the sick list. * * Robt. Johnson has returned from the South.

Breifs.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special:—A large number of the colored teachers attended the Southern Indiana Teachers' Association, which convened here last week. * * Charles Brown is visiting friends in Brazil. * * Weston Moore was in Brazil last Sunday. * * William Moore, of Marshall, Ill., was in the city several days last week. * * Mrs. C. A. Hillman, of Evansville, was the guest of Mrs. Jerry Rector last week. * * The annual conference of the M. E. church is in session here. Many ministers have arrived and everything points to a successful session. * * The Georgia Minstrels Company passed through the city Monday, en route to Danville, Ill.

LETTER FROM A PREACHER'S WIFE.

Bossburg, Stevens Co., Washington.
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May 15, 1897. Mrs. C. E. Baltezore.

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For Coroner.

DR. A. W. BRAYTON.

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For Commissioner First District

JAS E. GREER.

Subject to the decision of the Republican County Convention.

For Treasurer, Marion County.

ARMIN C. KOEHNE

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